

The Woolmen's Livery forms education links with Archbishop Tenison's School, Lambeth.

Archbishop Tenison's School, across the road from the Oval cricket ground in Lambeth, serves the needs of its local community.

Tenison's is an inclusive secondary school for students in Year 7 to Year 13 with a long history of offering high quality education in a challenging yet vibrant area of London.

Our partnership link supports the school in its work of educating young people to make full use of their talents. Specifically, we aim to encourage students to raise their aspirations and widen their horizons through seeing textiles, fashion and the wool industry in a new light.

In the coming year, we will support the foundation of a textiles club at the school. Already there is interest from over 30 of the pupils and the Head of Art is keen that this grows. We will encourage this through providing materials and by working with the staff where possible to develop their skills.

In addition we are arranging a half-day visit to the City in June 2016 for Year 10 students who are particular keen on Art, Design and Science. Later in the year we will interview Year 13 students who plan to study fashion and textiles at university and who wish to receive Woolmen's Livery Company bursaries.

If you are interested in supporting this education partnership initiative, please contact myself or Liveryman Tessa Trollope.

Specifically, we are looking for volunteers to attend the Careers Day on July 8th 2016 at the school and also, during the year there may be opportunities for Liverymen to mentor and support students, especially those attending the textiles club.

Although this link is in its infancy, we are confident that it will be effective in making a difference to the life chances of students. We are also considering extending our educational partnership links to a school in the north of England, possibly to a school already know to Simon Hinchcliffe, the newly appointed Head of Bradford Grammar School.

Liveryman The Rt Revd Peter Hullah
hullahp@gmail.com