



<p>Group</p>	<p>Upton Debate Group (Rotary Competition)</p> <p>After some debate meetings with KS3 and KS5 groups, we then built this to the rotary club debate competition.</p> <p>Chester Town Hall played host to the intermediate competition for a team of three young people aged 11 to 13, and the University of Chester hosted the senior competition for ages 14 to 17.</p> <p>Each team of three members comprised a chairperson to introduce and sum up the motion, a proposer speaking for the motion and an opposer speaking against the motion. The team had 15 minutes to present and were marked on delivery, the construction of their argument, their summing up and how they handled questions.</p> <p>Upton won all local rounds and narrowly missed out on a place in national competitions.</p>
	 
<p>Activities/ work undertaken</p>	<p>2 separate rounds of competition for both KS3 and KS5 learners. Preparation meetings and club nights</p>

Learning to Shape the Future	Impact on others	<p>Upton learners were able to inform, educate and inspire learners from across the north-west.</p> <p>Learners were able to raise important points with members of the local-community, cross generationally and with large audiences of parents and academics.</p> <p>We were commended many times by members of the local and regional rotary club. Our students won a number of awards for speaker of the round.</p>
	Impact on themselves	<p>Public speaking in front of large audiences.</p> <p>Academic argument and research.</p> <p>Responding to feedback.</p> <p>Organisation and time-management.</p>
	Quotes	<p>Rotary Club of Chester President, Stephen Cross said; "The competition aims to offer young people the experience of speaking on a public platform as a member of a team. It also enables participants to see different viewpoints and be able to formulate ideas on topical subjects and to put these forward while being in opposition to another speaker."</p> <p>"Many previous debaters, for example, Nelson Mandela, Oprah Winfrey, Bruce Springsteen, Adam Sandler, Brad Pitt and Jack Dorsey, the Founder of Twitter, have gone on to amazing careers in public life but it can also be incredibly useful for anyone in any workplace or community setting."</p> <p>He added; "I'm sure these skills are useful immediately when negotiating bedtimes, allowance increases or 'going out' parameters! It helps everyone develop invaluable life skills and overcome the nerves felt when called upon to speak in public."</p>