

# We've had our say... Whats yours?

**With over 100 Volunteers actively supporting teachers, and thousands of students receiving DebtCred presentations this year alone, it's important to reflect on what they have to say about their experiences and learning through the Volunteer Programme.**

Students from Hamilton School said they learnt some 'very interesting facts about finance' and 'the importance of using money sensibly in the future'. Some students also said they 'now see the importance of budgeting' and 'feel they have a clearer and better understanding of how money works'.



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Teaching students the importance of basic money management skills such as 'budgeting your cash' and 'saving for the future' prompts them to start thinking about future needs and what they want out of life. Understanding that having bad money management skills then leads to problems such as debt, which then restricts and impacts your goals and aspirations.

One pupil from Kirkbie Kendal School; Cumbria said 'I've learnt that it is important to take time to think about when and where I spend my money. If I look after my finances, they will also look after me too.'

The majority of students who have received DebtCred presentations later commented on the use of 'meaningful and scary statistics'.

Feedback quotes such as 'I have learnt there are more credit cards in the UK than there are people' and 'The UK debt rises by more than a million every 5 minutes' allows the students to grasp a realistic view of how Britain really spends on a day to day basis, and the financial bad habits of our society.

## Teachers talk

While Thousands of students are positively expressing their views and opinions about the presentations, it is equally important to listen to what the teachers have to say...

'Very good presentation in a professional and friendly manner encouraging pupil participation' said one teacher from Ely Community College; Cambridge.

Other comments included;

'A really nice manner with the students and a useful and well pitched presentation'

'Pupils found the presentation engaging, informative and relevant. It interested them!'

'Found the materials used very interesting. The activities were upbeat and relevant'

**If you would like to arrange a Volunteer Educator presentation or would like to find out more about how the programme could support the development of Financial Capability & Economic Wellbeing in**

**your classroom please get in touch with our Volunteer Coordinator Bethanie Morgan,**  
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