

EMHEAP stands for “Ethnic Minority Higher Education Awareness Programme”.

EMHEAP is a programme funded by the University of the West of England, South Gloucestershire and Bristol Local Authorities. It is run by the University of the West of England (Bristol).

Three primary schools in South Gloucestershire have been invited to participate in the programme:

- Shield Road Primary
- Staple Hill Primary
- Wheatfield Primary

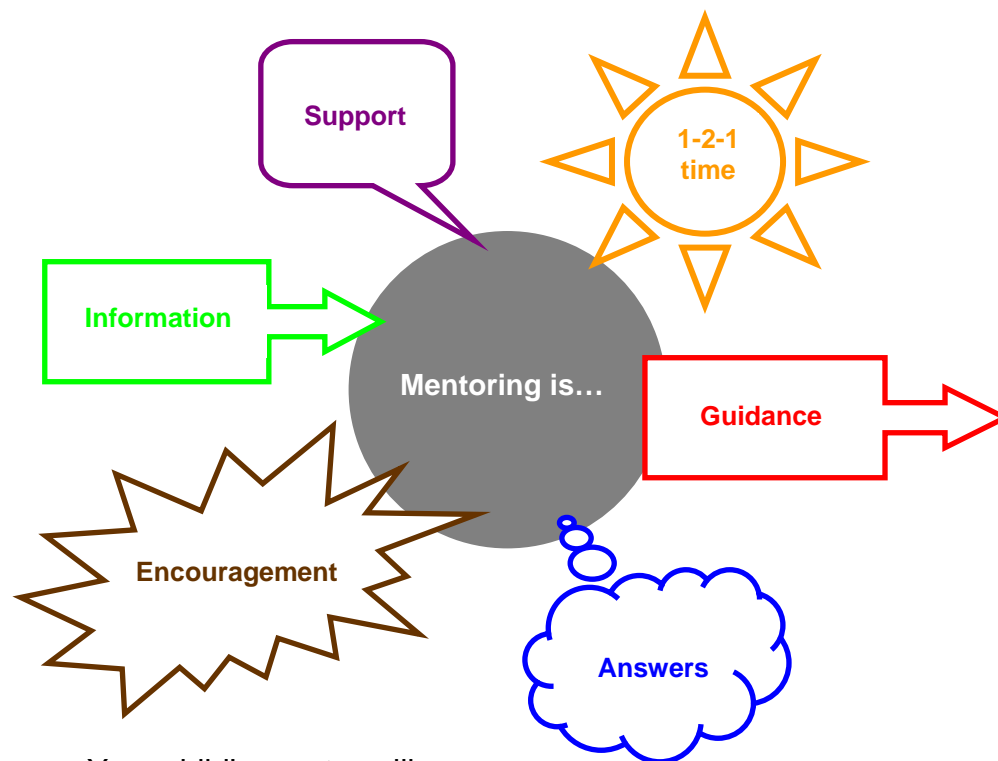
Six young people from each school have been selected to take part in this pilot project. Your child has been selected because their school believes that with support and encouragement, they have the potential to go onto college and university in the future.

There are two parts to this pilot project:

Mentoring

Your child will be matched with a university student who will act as a mentor. Your child’s mentor will be police checked before they are introduced to your child, and all mentoring will take place within school.

Your child’s mentor will visit the school once a week between now and June, and spend at least 30 minutes working with your child on a one-to-one basis.



Your child’s mentor will:

- Help with schoolwork (with direction from your child’s teacher)
- Talk about the move to secondary school, and help your child feel confident and prepared
- Help your child to revise for their SATs
- Talk about their own experiences of school, college and university

The project aims to provide your child with ongoing support therefore your child will continue to see his or her mentor during Year 7.

University Visit

The second part of the pilot project involves a visit to the University of the West of England. This will take place in late June/early July next year.

Your child will spend the day taking part in exciting educational activities and will have a tour of the university. The visit will be supported by your child's mentor, other university students and year 10 students from the relevant secondary schools. You will also be invited to attend part of the day.

Please talk to your child about taking part in EMHEAP and having a mentor. We need your support for the pilot project to be a success.

If you have any questions about EMHEAP, please talk to your child's teacher.



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Information for Children & their Parents/Carers



EMHEAP – Transition Mentoring Programme