

**STEM Research Projects:  
Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics  
Nuffield Research Projects.**

In November at the Nuffield Bursery presentation in Anglia Ruskin University Cambridge Lily Donovan –Head Girl at Thomas Deacon Academy was presented with her Gold Crest Award and gave a presentation to top Cambridge Academics and other Alumni of her Research paper. She clearly explained her project to the audience and encouraged others to take part in this prestigious competition. The Nuffield Research Placements are funded by the Nuffield Foundation. The Nuffield placements are sourced, organised and managed for students from Cambridgeshire, Suffolk and Essex by STEM Team East.



The scheme is one of the most academically prestigious national STEM Enhancement schemes with just over 1,000 students participating throughout the UK. The Gold CREST Research Placements are organised and managed by STEM Team East. The Gold CREST scheme is an accreditation scheme run by the British Science Association and recognises the very high achievement of students in STEM subjects.

In both schemes AS level students work alongside a STEM Researcher in their specialist areas of research over the summer.

STEM Team East provides an additional dimension to ensure all students achieve their best and maximise on the learning outcomes of their research opportunity. We provide guidance and mentoring at all stages of the process through our experienced team and with the help of a volunteer group of STEM professionals who are our STEM Ambassadors.

Both schemes give students experience in research and broaden their subject knowledge and skills well beyond what can be achieved within the curriculum. Both are highly regarded and recognised on UCAS applications. Each year our students report how their experience has helped during university interviews and many feel it has helped them gain entry to the university of their choice. The schemes open up the opportunity for students to enter into regional and national competitions.