



Dominic does not talk to his family much about his education or career, but they support his choices.

Dominic's passion is in music; learning to play guitar was a big achievement for him.

“ Aimhigher has had a big impact on me as a person and career-wise. It's helped me focus more on grades and my future and develop my knowledge of things outside of school. ”

- Dominic

*Dominic has had 4 engagements in total with Aimhigher, including: Mentoring; Masterclasses; Information, Advice and Guidance; and Work Experience.**

Dominic, Year 11

Urban school

School Life/
Changes



Aimhigher
Activity/Impact



Future Goals/
Prospects

Earlier on in school Dominic had a more relaxed attitude towards his studies, but since he started revising for his GCSEs, he has become more focused. Dominic is a conscientious student who tries his hardest and takes his education very seriously.

Before Aimhigher, he worried a lot about his exams and often became overwhelmed about his workload. He also felt frustrated about the lack of independence he feels in the school environment. **After engaging in Aimhigher activities, Dominic feels calmer and more self-directed.**

“ Through his experiences with myself and the programme, I have seen him grow in self-confidence and self-esteem. He is more motivated for his future now and with the continued support of the programme I don't doubt he'll achieve his goals. ”

- Aimhigher Progression Ambassador

Dominic greatly benefited from his one to one sessions with his **Aimhigher Progression Ambassador**, who encouraged him to consider **university course options**, gave him advice on having back-up plans, and supported him to **manage his stress**.

Dominic enjoyed the **Cultural Capital trip to London**, which helped him to feel more **independent and confident**, as he experienced a lot of new things - he had never been to London or seen a theatre production before.

Dominic feels more **in-control and focused** at school as a result of being more informed about university and career paths.

“ My mentor helped me a lot course-wise, showing me what my future could hold. She calmed me down and helped a lot. ”

- Dominic

Dominic hadn't considered university before Aimhigher as he thought he wouldn't be able to afford it. His Aimhigher Progression Ambassador explained Student Finance to him and now he is confident that he can go.

Dominic is calmer and more self-assured and he has been able to think more clearly about his future. He plans to go to college and then to **university to study musical performance**.

Dominic's Aimhigher Progression Ambassador also helped Dominic to **write his CV** and to find **work experience**.

“ I know either way, as long as I try my best, I can go anywhere. ”

- Dominic

**Full details on number of activities engaged in and activity objectives are detailed in the Appendices. Please note, learners may not have mentioned each NCOP activity engaged in during their interviews.*