



Rhiannon is very sporty and she swims for her city. Her favourite subjects in school are chemistry, biology and art.

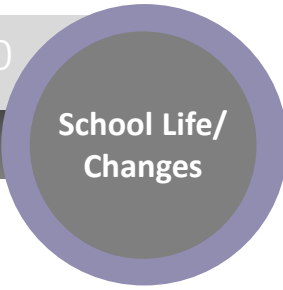
Rhiannon's parents have encouraged her to consider medicine as her future career choice, although Rhiannon is also keen to study astronomy.

“ **Medical Mavericks opened up a whole new spectrum of jobs I could go for. I still look through the booklet they gave us.** ”
- Rhiannon

Rhiannon has had 4 engagements in total with Aimhigher, all of which were Masterclasses.*

Rhiannon, Year 10

Rural school



School Life/Changes

Aimhigher Activity/Impact

Future Goals/Prospects

Rhiannon was shy and lacked confidence when she started in secondary school because most of her primary-school friends went elsewhere. She made friends, gained confidence and is now settled.

Rhiannon enjoys school and she sees her education as very important. She wants to excel and uses the pressure she sometimes feels to encourage her to work hard and do well in exams.

After engaging in Aimhigher activities, her science grades have increased dramatically as she is more motivated and focused.

“ *She's been very motivated, not just in Science, but across the board. She's on track and she knows what she wants to do.* ”
- Acting Deputy Headteacher

Rhiannon gained a lot from the **Medical Mavericks Masterclass**. She thoroughly enjoyed the various tasks and the session gave her ideas and aspirations about her future career and influenced her to be proactive about finding work experience in a hospital.

The **Forensics Workshop** provided further exposure of applying science outside of the classroom, and it also supported Rhiannon's understanding of her biology lessons at the time.

Because of the **enthusiasm Rhiannon demonstrated for science after the masterclasses**, the school worked with her on her science grades to ensure that she was eligible to take **Triple Science**.

“ *Medical Mavericks helped me in giving . . . pointers for later in life. They showed us all the jobs you can do with different equipment.* ”
- Rhiannon

With the knowledge she gained from the Aimhigher Masterclasses, **Rhiannon has solidified her interest in medicine**. She is continuing to use the resources given to her in Medical Mavericks to help her make a **decision regarding work experience**.

Rhiannon is planning a **career as a surgical nurse**, but is also considering becoming a **general practitioner**. She is studying Triple Science at GCSE level and she is very engaged, focused and excited about what she can achieve in the future.

“ *I had wanted to be an astronomer when I'm older, but now I've veered and made a path to think maybe I want to be a surgical nurse.* ”
- Rhiannon

*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.