



INSPIRE STORY LEADERSHIP

As Crown Hills Community College work with British Fencing we were able to get some of our Inspire Together staff trained in order to deliver fencing events to young people from across Leicester City. As well as this, the College have invested in getting their students trained to deliver fencing sessions too! Therefore, the Crown Hills students made fantastic leaders at our first ever fencing events! We were particularly impressed with a Crown Hills Year 8 leader at our event. Although he loved fencing and had a passion for the sport he was fairly new to leadership and this was one of the first events he had got to lead on.

From the offset he was confident and approachable. He welcomed each group of children and made them feel comfortable if they hadn't tried fencing before. He was personable and even got the primary school staff joining in too! All staff praised him for his leadership skills.

As you walked around the room you could hear the laughter and enjoyment coming from whichever group he was with, his personality was infectious. Not only was he confident but also understood that this session was helping to develop his skills. When asked at the end of the day what he enjoyed about being a sports leader he said "Being a sports leader today has helped to develop my communication skills and has given me a goal for the future". "I'd love to work in sport!" he said.

Considering this young leader hadn't delivered many sessions to young people before, he did a fantastic job! We are so pleased that our leadership programme allows young people the chance to thrive. Giving our young leaders opportunities like this hopefully sparks their enthusiasm for sport and perhaps helps to form aspirations for the future.

