Science and engineering boosts for sixth formers

Two Gresham’s School students are carrying on its proud tradition of science and engineering expertise.

The Holt school, which counts Hovercraft and bagless vacuum cleaner inventors Sir Christopher Cockerell and Sir James Dyson among its star pupils, has seen current students tackling courses to help their career hopes.

The sessions hosted by the The Smallpeice Trust charity - which promotes engineering careers - saw Clare Mawson (pictured) from Edgefield, attend a naval architecture course at Plymouth University, and Nick Twymann from Roughton attended a nuclear engineering course at the University of Manchester.

Clare said it was a “great experience” including a dock yard tour and project to build mini-submarines great fun, and made her all the more determined to pursue a career in that area.

Nick’s course provided an insight into some of the challenges facing nuclear industry today, as well as a combination of workshops and a practical “design and make” project centred on moving spent nuclear fuel from a storage facility.