TV star helps pupils unearth the past

High school pupils from across Norfolk have been digging up the past in projects led by archaeologist Carenza Lewis of Channel 4's Time Team. About 40 youngsters have started test pits at Carleton Rode, near Attleborough, where they will be doing investigations over two days. Another 40 will be digging at Hindringham, near Fakenham, on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week. The main aim of the project is to enable pupils to develop their skills, including research and team-working. After the digs the pupils will spend a day at Cambridge University with Ms Lewis and colleagues. She said: “This is one way of making studying at university level real and interesting to younger learners.” The digs are part of a special programme of Higher Education Field Academies piloted in Norfolk last year at Wivet near Blakeney.

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