Wisbech school pupils get hands dirty in West Norfolk archaeology project

Hillington Archaeology dig students from Kes, Springwood and Thomas Clarkson school, with archaeologist from left, Carenza Lewis and far right James Smith, lead coordinator, Springwood school. ANL-150319-164035009

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Wisbech schoolchildren worked with a leading archaeologist to uncover the origins of a village during a project to raise their aspirations.

Youngsters from the Thomas Clarkson Academy joined a dig run in Hillington, West Norfolk, with Carenza Lewis, who appeared in Channel 4’s Time Team. TCA pupils joined counterparts from King Edward VII School and Springwood High School, both in Lynn, during the three-day project, which went ahead last week. Their aim during the session was to uncover more about the origins of Hillington. During the project, which ran from Wednesday to Friday, youngsters were given practical experience of archaeology by digging test pits, some of which were in people’s gardens. They also spent a day in Cambridge with Dr Lewis’s team to follow up the report stage. Dr Carenza Lewis is pictured above with youngsters and James Smith, who is the lead co-ordinator from Springwood school.

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