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Dear Mark,

The ESA David Mitchell Scholarship

We are delighted to inform you that we have now welcomed the first recipient of the ESA David Mitchell Scholarship, Ilya Gladkikh, to the University. Ilya is studying Aero-Mechanical Engineering, having held a fascination with flight since a child. At school he was elected House Prefect as well as volunteering at the after-school club, mentoring younger pupils.

Unfortunately his father's business was badly affected by the pandemic. Coming from a low-income household this scholarship will help Ilya purchase materials for his course as well as contribute to travel and living costs, all of which will enable him to achieve his full potential at Strathclyde.

Students from disadvantaged backgrounds experience a number of additional pressures as they progress through their university education. Your support will make a significant difference to the lives of these students, providing them with an opportunity to overcome some of the challenges that they would otherwise face alone.

From enabling students to invest in vital IT equipment and learning resources, to helping with the rapidly rising cost of living, your support for this scholarship gives students the freedom to focus on their own development and truly immerse themselves in university life. As well as removing financial worries, your support also gives scholarship students increased confidence and ambition.

We look forward to keeping you updated on your scholarship programme, including an annual progress report from your scholar, Ilya.

We are immensely grateful for your belief and investment in our talented students. Thank you once again for supporting them to reach their full potential during their time here at Strathclyde.

Yours sincerely,



Karen Jones
Development Officer



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