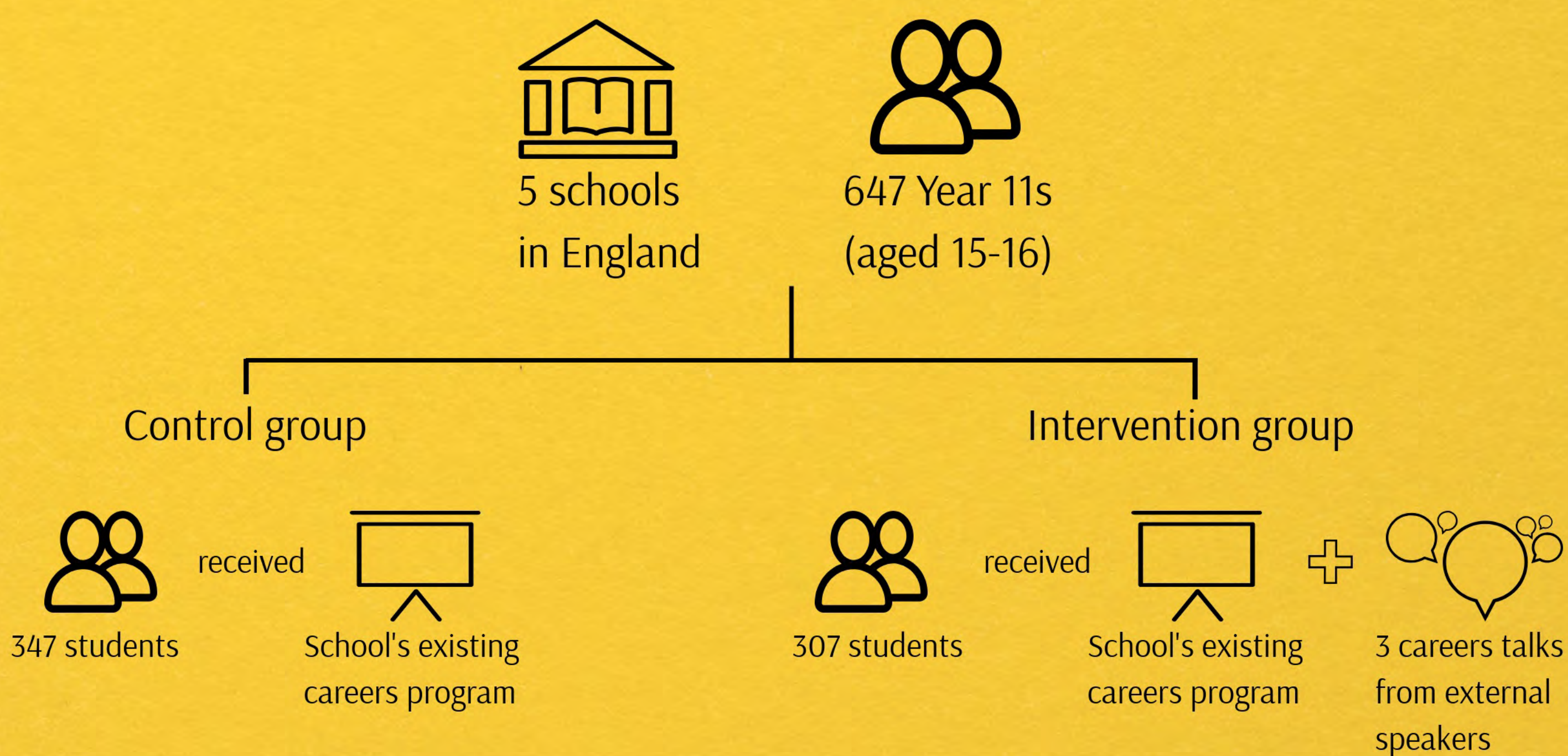


Careers education in secondary schools

New research from the UK has explored the impact of extra careers talks by employers on secondary students' motivation to study, achievement, and their career plans and anticipated pathways. Here are some of the research findings.

What did the study involve?

Small-scale Randomised Control Trial



Findings



There were modest, **positive effects on exam (GCSE) grades** as a result of the careers talks



The equivalent of one student in a class of 25 beating their predicted grade by one grade



Students in the intervention group reported, on average, a 9% higher **increase in weekly exam revision** hours than those in the control group



Lower achievers and less engaged learners responded best to the intervention program



Student feedback on the careers talks

Of those in the intervention group...

