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## Pupils enjoy life on the red carpet

**ROCHDALE ROAD:** Pupils have been given the red carpet treatment as they were invited to a film premiere.

Lucky Cardinal Langley youngsters attended a screening of the Fantastic Mr Fox at the Odeon Printworks Cinema in Manchester City Centre.

The Greater Manchester Student Awards 2009 teamed up with popular after-school club, FilmClub, for the special red carpet event.

The film features the voice of stars including George Clooney, Meryl Streep, Bill Murray and Jarvis Cocker.

The cinema goers also found out about the Student Awards, and prizes on offer, including a day shadowing The Apprentice star, Tim Campbell and taking part in a celebrity photoshoot.

The Awards are now open to Rochdale students and aim to celebrate and recognise the talents of pupils across Greater

Manchester.

The scheme is run by the Department for Children Schools and Families' Greater Manchester Challenge programme.

Professor Mel Ainscow, Greater Manchester Challenge Chief Adviser, said: "Like many great ideas, FILMCLUB and the Student Awards are simple but effective – and both have come along at just the right moment. There is compelling evidence for the potential of films to contribute to the development of a richer diet of education that can help to turn youngsters on to learning. FILMCLUB has helped to inspire creativity, improvements in literacy, writing and oral language, and an awareness of other cultures.

"Whether they are passionate about drama, music, creative writing, science, ICT, business and enterprise or art and

design, there's an award category for them and I'd encourage each and every Year 9 or 10 pupils to get involved."

The deadline for entries for this year's Student Awards is Friday 13 November. For more information and to enter visit [www.dcsf.gov.uk/citychallenge/studentawards](http://www.dcsf.gov.uk/citychallenge/studentawards)