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YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE

11 – 15 MAY 2020



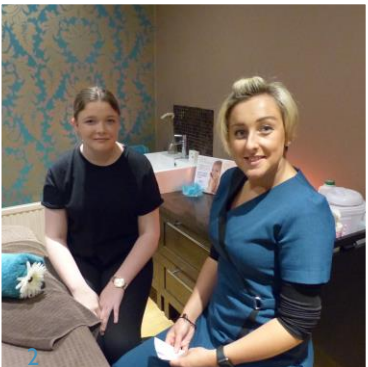
Work Experience



The world of work is ever-changing and for young people there are so many opportunities to choose from that it has become almost impossible to decide which career route is best.

The only true way to get a realistic view of the workplace, in any given sector, is to experience it and then to make decisions based on those experiences alongside careers advice and guidance.

Work experience is simply an experience of work, often lasting one week and takes place in an employer's premises with the student acting as an employee.





BUILDING A WORKFORCE FOR THE FUTURE

SCHOOL DOESN'T LAST FOREVER!

Work experience will enable you to make positive decisions and learn about different career paths available.

Some industries are really competitive and hard to get your foot in the door

Work experience helps to get you that first job in industry.

Some employers may even offer a job when the time comes

The employer can be used for a reference for the future

FINDING YOUR OWN PLACEMENT

- What subjects at school do you enjoy? Do you have an idea as to the career you might want to follow later in life?
Research and contact employers
- **Ask family and friends** that have businesses
- Try to **avoid** work experience with a **previous school** for maximum benefit
- Work experience can be done in other areas of the country ie. London, but **please try to ensure that these are booked early** to allow for the proper health & safety checks to be completed.
- A student contacting an employer themselves means they have already built a rapport with the employer and it shows an employer how keen they are!
- If you are struggling then the team at OXLEP are able to help - they can give assistance to find placements if needed.

RESEARCH



Find the potential job roles you might be suited to:
<https://barclayslifeskills.com/parents/wheel-of-strength/>

Create a 'Path to Work'
<https://barclayslifeskills.com/parents/path-to-work/your-path-to-work/>

These links will be added to SMHW

THE PROCESS

- Will be organised using an online system (*OXLEP will come in shortly after half term to demo this for you*)
- All Students (and the school) will be given access to the online system to log your placement and keep the required paperwork in a centralised place

THE TIMELINE

The deadline to find an own placement is **FRIDAY 13 DECEMBER 2019**.

This might seem like a little way off but its best to start looking now! Its never too early to send the information through to us.

If you have been unsuccessful in securing your own place we will begin searching and matching places for you from January 2020.

Your first task is to begin thinking, discussing with family and friends, and begin approaching potential businesses you might wish to complete your Work Experience week with.

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