



Work Experience Placements 2017

Dear Parent/Guardian

In attempting to provide a holistic and relevant learning experience for all of our students during their time at Perth Academy we are offering our new S4 year group the opportunity to access a work placement.

The system that currently exists within the authority only offers a limited number of placements which do not always provide the best fit for students.

It is hoped that we can enlist the support of parents to work alongside their children in seeking out a work placement that is more relevant and meaningful to their needs. Initially we are asking students with the support of parents and family to attempt to identify a suitable work placement for the week or part of the week beginning 11 Sept 2017.

Unfortunately once a placement has been identified the prospective employer is required to complete a short but essential piece of paperwork to satisfy health and safety legislation. It will be the responsibility of the student to ensure the return of this completed paperwork prior to Monday 19 June. This is to allow the support team the appropriate period of time to overtake visits which ensure the safety of students in the workplace prior to them going out on placement.

Preparation with the students will take place during the Social Education period along with their Guidance teacher. Once the students have identified a placement they can then collect paperwork from their Guidance teacher to be completed by the employer and returned via the students back to their Guidance teacher or directly to me.

We are hopeful that this will better suit students in accessing a placement that will provide them with a valuable learning experience in developing skills for life and work. Any student who have difficulty finding a placement or is intending to leave school at the end of S4 will be given an opportunity to find one via the database, however these are very limited.

Your support with this will be very much appreciated.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or points of clarification

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