

Year 10 Work Shadowing Day 2 July 2024 - FAQ

Why is this experience being offered?

Young people benefit because it is an opportunity for them to explore career options, through:

- thinking about what aspects of their “work day” they liked and what they didn’t.
- exploring career options in a practical way to gain a better understanding of just how many career choices are open to them.
- spending a day in the life of a working adult, they develop an appreciation of their parents’/ carers’ work and motivations

Parents/carers benefit because it helps them prepare their children for the future by:

- beginning a career discussion based on actual experiences.
- enriching their child’s experience with discussions before, during and after the workplace visit

Evidence shows young people who have memorable contact with employers four times or more are more confident about reaching their ultimate career goals and are more likely to be employed

Where can children go?

- It would NOT be suitable if you work from home as it is not a new environment
- Consider any hazards or sensitive information that may prevent the success of this work experience

How should the work shadowing day be structured?

- Think about what you want them to see and also ask them what they want to learn and what type of things they would like to experience. Lay out the expectations beforehand to make the experience as realistic as possible
- There will be a work experience booklet provided for your young person to complete. This will include a section for reflection on what has been learnt through the day

What are the Terms & Conditions for your Young Person

- They will travel to and from work with parent/carer/family friend
- They will be covered by the insurance of the organisation of the day
- They will be covered by Health & Safety regulations of the organisation

Do you have any further questions?

- Speak to your child’s Form Tutor, Mr Wren, Mrs Lawrence or Mrs Pearce