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Dear Parents/Carers



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TAKE YOUR CHILD TO WORK DAY
Friday 12th July 2024

Work experience has long been recognised as one of the best ways to help young people in preparing for their future. We are therefore delighted to announce a very special day which is to take place on Friday 12th July 2024: 'Take Your Child to Work Day' will be an opportunity for your child to accompany a parent/carer, relative or family friend to work and gain a full day of valuable work experience.

The idea is to give Year 9 pupils a 'taste' of the real world of work, and in particular, to enable them to recognise the relevance of the school curriculum to the workplace. The feedback we received from pupils and parents who have taken part in the past has been very positive. Some pupils gained a new appreciation for the hard work their parents do every day, and many pupils gained valuable new skills, such as confidence and team work. Our pupils also came away feeling more positive about the world of work.

If you would like your child to take part, we do need to ensure that appropriate steps are taken regarding your child's safety during their placement. It is important to keep in mind that:

- Employers must have Employer's Liability Insurance and health and safety procedures in place.
- Pupils must not work after 10.00pm or before 7.00am.
- Pupils must not work for more than 8 hours.
- Pupils must have a 30 minute break for any shift lasting more than 4.5 hours.

If you are able to support your child with a placement, there are two important forms to complete. Please complete this **Parent/Carer Form**: <https://forms.office.com/e/Ut0X8ddaFY> and ask the employer to complete this **Employer Form**: <https://forms.office.com/e/tqnE0hPK4W>. **The deadline to complete these forms is Friday 24th May 2024.** Both forms must be completed or the placement will not be able to go ahead.

Although Take Your Child Work Day is a very popular event, we are also aware that not everyone will find it easy to arrange a placement. To that end, we will be running a virtual workplace experience in school, for anybody who is unable to secure a work placement on Friday 12th July. **Any pupil who does not take part in the 'Take Your Child to Work Day' will be expected to attend school as normal on Friday 12th July 2024.**

I do hope that you will want to give this opportunity your full support. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact Miss Killick, Careers Coordinator.

Yours sincerely

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