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2nd February 2026

Dear Parents/Carers



Barr Beacon School

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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 our Year 9 Work Experience Day, taking place on Thursday 30th April 2026. This 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 experience.

The idea is to give Year 9 pupils a 'taste' of the real world of work. 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 and came away feeling more positive about the world of work.

If you would like your child to take part, we need to ensure that appropriate steps are taken regarding their 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 and they 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, please complete the Parent/Carer Form below and ask the employer to complete the Employer Form. **The deadline to complete these two forms is Friday 27th March 2026. Both forms must be completed or the placement will not be able to go ahead.**

PARENT/CARER FORM

<https://forms.office.com/e/JTRnMF7xgD>



EMPLOYER FORM

<https://forms.office.com/e/ffEaneekSi>



Although this 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 an employer event in school for anybody who is unable to secure a work placement.

Any pupil who does not take part in the Year 9 Work Experience Day will be expected to attend school as normal on Thursday 30th April 2026.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact Miss Killick, Careers Coordinator.

Yours sincerely

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