

Dear Parents,

Our ultimate aim in working with young people and your families is to support them reaching their personal goals to serve a purposeful and productive career pathway once they have left the safe surrounds of The Royal School.

Each year The Royal School provides opportunities for our senior students to gain valuable experience in a workplace setting. The purpose of work experience is for students to be given an insight into work life and to help support them make decisions about their next steps; whether this be what A Level subjects to study, what to read at University or what career to go into. Sometimes the experience can confirm opinions and decisions and at other times make clear what pathways are definitely not of interest. For some time, I have thought that our own community of parents, friends and families at The Royal School might be able to offer valuable work related experiences through their professional networks, businesses and workplaces that would add to our breadth of opportunity. After all, every young person would benefit from some form of placement, so we all have a vested interest in creating the most diverse network we can.

If you, or a family member, have any scope to help support our students within any given career I would be most grateful to hear from you. I am looking for people who would be able to offer time, from a day to a full working week, for our students to spend some time in your place of work. I would not want it to be onerous, it is an opportunity for our students to shadow the employee to get a taster for life in the particular career. I would be interested in opportunities from all types of careers; but in particular we have a lot of students currently interested in careers in:

Law
Medicine
Accountancy
Banking
Dentistry
Engineering
IT
Marketing

If you would be able to offer some time to our students for work experience, please could I ask you to email me at ch@royal.school. Students in years 10 and 12 have a window from September to March to complete their work experience placement. If you have any questions or queries before you offer anything, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Chris Howells
Assistant Principal