



## The Royal School

Wolverhampton

REF: Work experience 2024-25

Dear Parent/carer

On Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September we welcomed Maxine and Julie from the Black Country Support for schools into school to launch year 10 work experience. As a school, we provide many opportunities for each student to develop themselves holistically. We aim to give students the skills, experiences and qualifications that will set them apart from the competition. Each year The Royal School provides opportunities for our senior students to gain valuable experience in a work place 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; what to read at University or which 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. It is a great opportunity to enhance and develop key employability skills.

Work experience for year 10 is mandatory and The Royal School has a flexible approach to work experience, should an unmissable opportunity arise in the year then students are encouraged to take that opportunity. As a result, there is no specific time on the academic calendar where we advise students to undertake their weeks placement.

It is expected that students should undertake this placement between September and March of year 10. Students are tasked with the responsibility of sourcing a work experience placement for themselves. It is advisable that students source a work placement over the next few weeks before other schools start their work experience. The forms attached should be given to the employer and then completed and returned to Mr Howells. The forms can either be printed out or emailed to [ch@theroyal.school](mailto:ch@theroyal.school).

For more careers and labour market information please visit the careers page of the schools website. [www.theroyalschool.co.uk](http://www.theroyalschool.co.uk).

Yours sincerely,

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