Objectives of Work Experience

- To meet and interact with new people.
- To gain future contacts networking.
- To develop employability skills; team work, presentation skills, critical thinking.
- To find out more about a particular industry or profession.
- To help make informed choices about future career ideas.
- To experience travelling to and from work.
- To gain a better understanding of the working environment.
- To improve self-confidence.
- To utilise written and verbal communication skills within a work environment.
- To learn the importance of punctuality.
- To gain experience for a CV.
- To identify skills, including strengths and areas of development.





Year 10/12

Work Experience

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Stage 1

- Decide on the type of placement you would be interested in doing, is it suitable?
- Talk to your parents, friends, family how could they help you? What ideas do they have?
- Look up other local businesses/companies/organisations in this sector and draw up a list of possible options.

Stage 2

- Contact your first choice of company with an email, letter or phone call – can they offer you a placement? If you do not get a positive response re-think and contact your second/third/fourth choice.
- Bear in mind that larger organisations might have a formal application process to follow/a HR department you may need to contact, this information is likely to be on their website.

Stage 3

- •Once a placement is agreed, request confirmation of your work experience placement and full details.
- Complete the Student Initial Form on Unifrog. Ensure all email addresses are correct.
- Forms must be completed by 24th February.

Stage 4

- The information that you have provided will be used to contact and a visit to your placement will be made, this is to carry out safety checks.
- •Once the information from these checks is passed back to the school we can agree your placement.
- A letter confirming your WEX placement will be sent to you and your parents/carers.

What you need to do......



DRAW UP A LIST OF POSSIBLE PLACEMENTS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, IDEALLY BY THE END OF TERM 1.



MAKE CONTACT VIA PHONE CALL, EMAIL OR LETTER



FINALISE YOUR PLACEMENT AND COMPLETE WEX FORMS BY <u>24th FEBRUARY</u>.



CHECK EMAILS FOR UPDATES/CONFIRMATION OF YOUR PLACEMENT.