

To: Year 12 parents/carers



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Dear Parent/Carer

Work Experience – Year 12 – Monday 13 May to Friday 17 May 2024

As part of the sixth form it is important that students start to prepare for what they will do beyond full time education, whether this is immediately after sixth form or subsequent to apprenticeships or university courses. As part of our wider remit to support them in this endeavour, we set aside one week of sixth form to gain this experience. Placements will follow on from the Year 12 mock examinations, to provide some respite from their studies and encourage students to consider where their qualifications can lead them. Assemblies have been held this week and all students have been given hard copies detailing the process.

All students in Year 12 will therefore be undertaking work experience from Monday 13 May to Friday 17 May 2024. During this week there will be no classes – each day all students will be at the workplace of their host employer. They will be given a work experience logbook to complete throughout the week, which will feed into subsequent references given during Year 13 for university, apprenticeship and employment applications.

Work experience gives students the chance to learn about what type of job they might enjoy as well as developing their CV. We know it can be one of the most transformational experiences young people have during their education.

Students source their own placements (with the support of their families), advising the sixth form office of the company and contact details as soon as possible, no later than **Monday 4 March 2024**. Please be aware that this is voluntary work which cannot be paid as it is part of a student's timetabled activity whilst in full time education. The careers guidance officer and sixth form team will do their best to find placements for any students who have been unable to find their own but, as we have limited resources, we expect only to be able to help a few students. Please see the list below of companies who have previously hosted work experience placements for THS students.

We are using Unifrog (www.unifrog.org) to manage the administration of the work experience programme – for example collecting information from the employer about their Risk Assessment and Health & Safety Policy, as well as securing agreement from yourselves for the placement to go ahead.

Some important logistics

- Students need to agree the placement with the employer first. They then add the placement details
 to their Unifrog account (using the Placements tool on their Unifrog homepage). The school
 placement co-ordinator is Mrs Higson.
- The Unifrog system will then in order email the employer, the parent/carer and the school to collect the necessary information and permissions. For the process to work, it is essential that students add the initial information about the placement accurately.

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Finding out more

- Unifrog have created a set of guides about placements which you can find <u>here</u>
- Within this set of guides <u>How to use the placements tool</u> is the best one to start with (it includes a short animation of how the whole process works)
- Next we recommend looking at <u>Students: a guide to placements/work experience</u>, because it includes advice on how to find a placement

Next steps

- Students to read the placement guides on Unifrog and then start contacting possible hosts for the placement
- If you have any questions, please contact the Sixth Form via email at f_higson@taverhamhigh.org or directly on 01603 861758

We hope all Year 12 students will take up this opportunity and we wish you all the best with supporting your child to find a placement. Please do make use of Unifrog's guides to help you. Students unable to source a placement will attend school full time from 8:30 am to 3 pm (home study will not apply). They will be provided with work experience related online tasks and courses, completing a log of all they undertake.

Yours faithfully

Mr J Linnell

Head of Sixth Form





For some ideas, here are some of the work experience providers students have attended in previous years. If you would like one-to-one advice, please see Mrs Warwick in the main school office for an appointment.

Notre Dame Prep School

Abbey Transport Abbot Fox Andrew Parker Associates **Anglia Culinary Supplies Anglian Water Anglian Windows Anteros Art Foundation ARH Groundworks** Ashleigh Primary School Attleborough Surgery Aviva **Barkers Hairdressing Suppliers** Barclavs Barley Chalu **Bluebird Care Bowthorpe Surgery** Break **Brigstock Primary School Broadland Digital Broadland District Council** Brown & Co **Bussey & Sabberton** Carberrys Cafe

Castle & Costa

Chamber Nine

Central School of Dancing

Christine Goldspink Kennels

Chapel Green School

Coastal Partnership

Catch 22

Cookes Band Instruments Costessey Primary School Countrywide Legal Indemnities Cre8 Futures Ltd **Crown Confectionery Drayton Schools Duff Morgan & Vermont EA Fasteners** Ear Care Centre East Bilney Coachworks East of England Ambulance **Easton Gymnastics Club EPOSNow ERA Accountancy** Falcon Junior School Finance Shop Flagship Housing Group **Gallery Haircutters** GC Mole **Ghost Hill Infant School** Giddings Motorcycles Gilson Bailey Estate Agency Gressenhall Hallswood Animal Sanctuary Heartsease Academy Hellesdon Library Heritage Will Writers Heritage Window Company **Horsford Medivet**

Contract Personnel Limited

Horsford Primary School **Nplaw House of Commons NWES Marketing** Open Youth Trust **Immunisations Service** Optimise Media High Altitude **Orchidale Nursery Hugh J Boswell** IC Travel **Ormiston Victory Academy** Inflite the Jet Centre Panks Engineering PetsAtHome Julian Hospital **Kettle Foods Pottergate Motors** Kier Priscilla Bacon Charity **KLM Engineering** Pro Box Norwich KonectBus Queens Hill Primary School Langley Pre Prep School Rackheath Primary School Lanpro Architecture Ray & Paul Interiors **RDM Gregg Screen Printers** Largo Plant Services Leisure-net Solutions **Read Brothers Recover Physiotherapy** Lovewell Blake Accountants Maddermarket Theatre **RG Carter** MJP Online Property Lawyers **Right Angle Events** Roarr! Dinosaur Adventure Nansa Nielsen Brandbank Rose Project Royal Norwich Golf Club Norfolk Community Law Select Cakes Service Norfolk & Norwich Hospital Selesti Norfolk Museums Sew Simple North Norfolk DC Sidestrand Hall Norwich Accountancy Skyplane Worldchoice Norwich City Council Smash Marketing Norwich City FC Smith & Pinching Smurfitkappa Sheetfeeding Norwich Cosmetic Clinic

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