

Year 10 Parent Notes

In assembly this week the focus was on Work Experience and what is expected of the students and the deadline for the return of the paperwork to be returned looming. I explained what the benefits are of securing a good work placement. Students were told that if they have a particular career in mind this is the best opportunity they are going to have to see if it is their dream job.

It was also explained that the Work Experience week will be valuable for teaching them what a normal work week is like, compared to the normal school week. They were advised to take into account the distance they are willing to travel and ensure that they will be able to get to work safely by which ever method of transport they have to use.

Students were informed that over the course of next week their tutors are going to start asking them about where they are up to with securing a work experience place. Tutors will be looking to ensure that students have an idea about what they want to do and how far along through the process of getting the forms completed they are. This will also flag up those who are still not sure about what it is they want to do, and these names can be passed on to Ms Lambert who has the responsibility for organising this opportunity for the students. She will then hopefully be able to organise career interviews or will meet with these students to help them along. If your child would like to be a bit more proactive about this then they can find Ms Lambert in her office which is right next to the library in the Meridian building.

Students were finally shown which forms they are responsible for filling out informing us about where they wish to do their work experience and other data, and which form is the responsibility of the employer to fill out. Both are vital so please encourage them to fill these out as soon as possible and get them back in to school. To date I have been informed that only ten completed forms have been handed back. I have also ensured that all students have been re-emailed the forms they need to complete and this email was sent to their school email account on Thursday, so they should be in possession of an electronic copy of the form which can be printed and completed.

It has been great to see the Year 10 students settle back down into their studies so quickly this week and for the vast majority pick up where they left off before the Christmas break. Please continue to stress the importance of them adopting and maintaining a good work ethic, and I would like to take this opportunity to remind you about our afterschool homework club, **SHOWtime**, that happens on a Tuesday and a Thursday. During this time F29 is booked out for any Year 10 student to use to go and have a quiet place to complete homework, or to keep on top of any other work. Everyone is welcome and I look forward to seeing more Year 10 students using this opportunity over the next term.

I hope you have a good week.

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