

Dear Parents/Carers,

Year 10 Work Experience Programme Summer 2024

We are pleased to confirm that we are reintroducing our work experience programme for our Year 10 cohort. The dates for our work experience programme will be **Monday 8th to Friday 12th July, 2024.**

Work experience provides an excellent opportunity for students to gain an insight into the working world, develop important employability skills and boost their confidence. It is not always important that the placement exactly mirrors the students career aspirations; employers often refer to the value of transferable skills like communication, the ability to work in a team, motivation and using your initiative, which work experience, in any setting, will give them. We ask you for your support through this process to ensure that all students have the best possible experience.

It is important that you start having conversations with your child regarding their interests and potential work experience placements. **Students will be required to arrange their own placements and contact potential providers.** It is important that students take this opportunity seriously. If they are unable to find a work placement of their own choice, they will be given a role to complete within school, which most likely will not mirror their future choices. We are going to partner with NYBEP (a Business and Education Partnership covering Yorkshire, Humber and the North East) to help us deliver work experience. NYBEP will complete the Young Person's Risk Assessment prior to the students starting their placement.

Things to consider:

- Students should look to local businesses, family or any other connection within the local community for their placements
- Any work place that a student wishes to uptake must be risk assessed and have the correct insurance in order to safely provide a work experience placement for the student (this will be completed by NYBEP)
- Students will be required to make their own way to and from their placements (this should be factored this in when finding a suitable placement).

Further information regarding registering parental/carer consent for work experience, the work experience process and NYBEP will be provided shortly. Your child will also be receiving a launch session on Friday 19th January 2024 during their Learning for Life session. Any information on work experience, including any communication and the launch session which students will receive on Friday, will also be placed on the Academy's website for you to access at any time: <https://www.thornhillcommunityacademy.co.uk/workexp>

Finally, thank you for your support in preparing your child for work experience. It is an excellent opportunity to shape their perception of the world of work and hopefully inspire their future career pathways. If you have any queries about the scheme, please do not hesitate to contact the school directly.

Kind regards,

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