

30th September 2021

Dear Parent /Carer

Students in Year 10 are studying a 'Work Experience' module in Half Term 1 as part of their Personal Development curriculum. The module is designed to give students the opportunity to learn about the work place and start thinking about the type of career they would like to pursue in the future. It is the student's responsibility to find, apply and secure their own work experience placement, however, there is support in school should students require it. Students can use Safety Measures to look for placements that they can then apply for. Login details will be provided by school.

Alongside these lessons and a whole drop-down day to prepare, we are giving the students the valuable opportunity to undertake a week of 'Work Experience' in an actual working environment during the summer term. The students will need to find a work placement of their own (whether this is local or further afield) based on the type of work they specify an interest in. They are then required to contact this company to arrange the finer details (such as lunch arrangements, workwear required and general structure of the working day) ready for the placement to start.

Before any placement can be confirmed, students must complete a 'work experience confirmation form' (provided by either Miss Bleasdale or Miss Smedley) with employer's details, insurance policy numbers and contact details. The school will then organise for Safety Measures to conduct a health and safety check in order to make sure that your child is entering a safe environment for their work placement. Any placements that do not adhere to our measures will not be authorised by The Garibaldi School.

The placement will begin on **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2022** and will end on **Friday 27th May 2022**. As students will not be at the school during this week, they will need alternative transport provisions to ensure they arrive at their placement on time.

This is a fantastic opportunity for our students to begin to understand the transition from school to 'work' and the expectations that will be required of them. It is also a chance to impress potential employers as in the past, some of our students have been asked to return to their work placement for full-time employment after they have finished their studies.

We would appreciate your support with this exciting opportunity, ensuring your child participates in Work Experience and uses it as a positive experience. Further information will be provided during the Personal Development and Careers lessons. In the meantime, please complete the permission slip below, stating that your child is able to take part in this.





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Please note that, given the current situation with regard to COVID-19, future plans with Work Experience may change at any time. This could be at the school's discretion or employers.

Consent is required, please click on the following link to complete the online consent form: https://www.garibaldischool.co.uk/forms/y10\_workexp\_2021.php

Please contact me at the school if you require any further information.

Yours faithfully

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Miss A Bleasdale Lead Teacher of Personal Development & Careers