

WORK EXPERIENCE

Monday 17th July-
Friday 21st July
2017

Why do Work experience?

What do pupils gain from it?

- Independence
- Maturity
- Self-Confidence
- An understanding of real life and Social interaction skills.



How important is it to do a career you are interested in for the future?

- Many young people at 14/15 have very little idea what they hope to do in the future beyond continue their education.
- The most important part of this program is to experience the world beyond education to see what it is like to work with people of different ages & experience and to try out a career area that may lead to future employment even if only as a part-time job to fund further education.
- Some do try a career they are interested in but the vast majority enjoy an experience of real life work where the skills they are learning are transferable to many career areas.

A successful work experience placement is one where a pupil is prepared to make an effort, show enthusiasm and is willing to work.

How do you secure a placement?

We no longer have an online search system for placements.

Mrs Illsley can suggest potential employers but it is up to pupils with the support of their parents to approach employers.



Placements

Points to Remember:

To ensure placements are checked forms must be returned at the latest by 24th March

However the sooner a form is in the better.

A fully completed form must be handed back in to Mrs Illsley signed by employer, parent and pupil.

The Risk Assessments and Health & Safety checks for work experience placements are carried out by an external Company; *to assist with this cost, we are asking for a voluntary contribution of £20.* This will be available for payment online or may be made by cash/cheque made payable to Swanmore College.

Placements outside Southampton/Portsmouth post codes may be liable to an extra administration charge

Important Dates

Assembly and all information given
to pupils and parents
October 2016

Placement searching and support
from Mrs Illsley and tutors
Autumn/ part Spring Term

Deadline for Placements
Friday 24th March

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Where can I get help/forms etc?

- Pupils can see Mrs Illsley before AM Registration in R Block careers office/ W Block
- Parents can phone the school and ask to speak to Mrs Illsley
- Visit the college website for a copy of this presentation and the offline forms
- Forms can also be collected from Reception

Support in Year 10

- A detailed preparation booklet that pupils will work through during Tutor Time with their tutor leading up to the experience
- Tutor sessions before work experience to prepare for the mock interview event
- Careers interviews can be booked at any time for impartial advice and guidance
- A mock interview and feedback from a prospective employer
- College Taster days and other specialist visits