

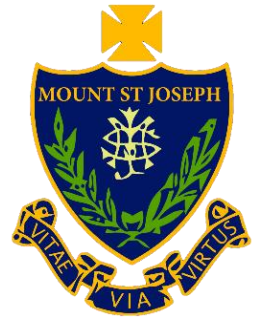
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Dear Parent/Carer

All students in Year 10 are going to be on work experience from the **12th – 16th February 2024**. In this period there will be no classes – each day all students will be at the workplace of their host employer.

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

Students (and their families) should source their own work experience placements. The careers guidance will do their best to find placements for any students who have been unable to find their own, but because we have limited resources, we expect to only be able to help a few 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 getting agreement from yourselves for the placement to go ahead.

Some important logistics:

- Students need to agree the placement with the employer first, and then students will get the ball rolling by adding the placement to their Unifrog account. **Log in for the Unifrog account will be available from September.**
- The Unifrog system will then email the employer, the parent / guardian, and the school, to collect the necessary information and permissions. **For the process to work, it's essential that students add the initial information about the placement accurately.**

Finding out more:

- Unifrog have created a set of guides about placements which you can find [here](#).
- Within this set of guides, [this](#) is the best one to start with (it includes a short animation of how the whole process works).
- Next we recommend looking at [this one](#), because it includes advice on how to find a placement.

Next steps:

- Please read the placement guides on Unifrog, and then start contacting possible hosts for the placement
- If you have any questions, ring school and ask for Debra Simpson on 01204 391800 or email simpsond@msj.bolton.sch.uk

We wish you the best of luck with supporting your child to find a placement. Please do make use Unifrog's guides help you.

Kind regards,

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