



# ASTLEY COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer

You may recall that Year 12 students were due to take part in work experience in the final week of the Summer term. We know that prior to the lockdown, some students had agreed placements with employers, and other students were making significant progress in terms of arranging their placements.

We are aware that some employers have already contacted students to cancel placements, and we suspect that others may follow suit. In addition, the health and safety checks that took place for many placements had taken place prior to lockdown. Therefore, as a school we have no way of ascertaining whether employers have put sufficient measures in place to protect our students from Coronavirus.

On this basis, we hope you will understand and support our decision to cancel work experience this year for all Year 12 students. No work experience placements can go ahead, even if they had been agreed.

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact me via email at [adam.ironside@svf.org.uk](mailto:adam.ironside@svf.org.uk)

Kind regards

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