

# WORK EXPERIENCE



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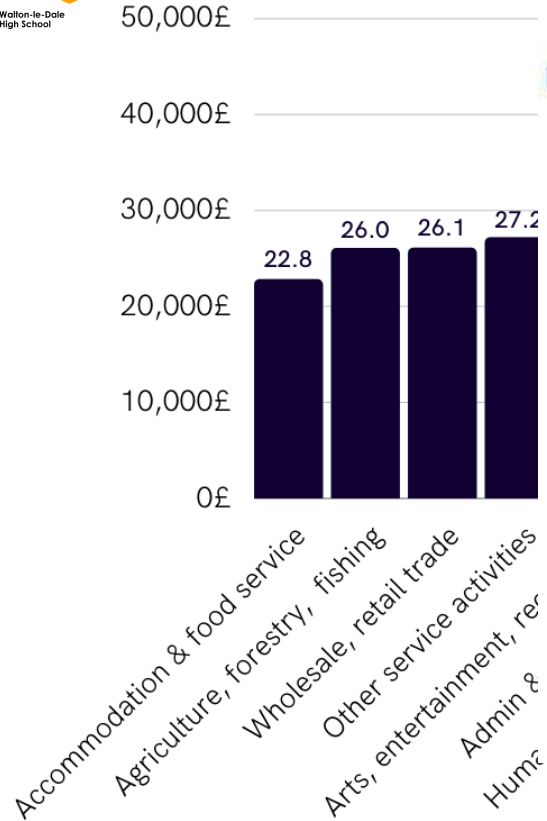
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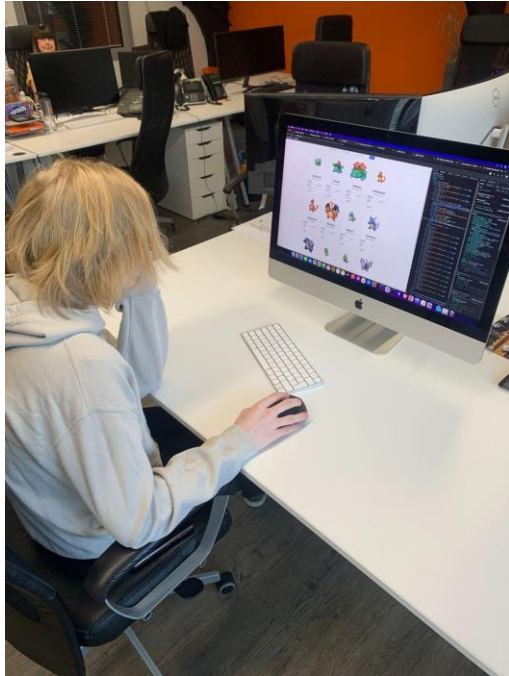
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# Average Annual Salary by Job Title



# Why do Work Experience?



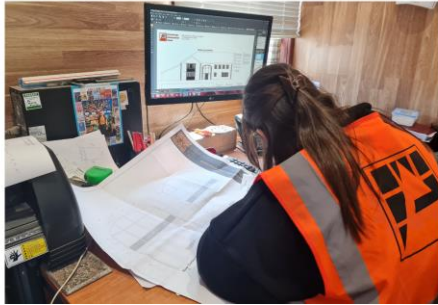
- You get to sample working life.
- You get to try out something you are interested in as a career.
- It looks really good on your CV when applying for a part time job or for mock interviews and college/apprenticeship applications in Year 11.
- It may even lead to a part or full time job in the future.
- You will gain valuable employability skills.
- You can build up contacts (networking).

# Why do Work Experience?

- It gives a purpose to your education, showing how what you study for GCSE prepare you for the world of work.
- It enables you to find out what you **don't** want to do, as well as what you do want to do!



# Take it seriously ...



*All work experience is valuable, no matter what you are doing.*



- Positive attitude to work, being polite
- Flexibility and enthusiasm
- Initiative - ability to think for yourself in the workplace
- Reliability - turning up on time, every day
- Communication skills - confident to talk to people, willing to ask for help and listen to instructions and advice
- Team worker - gets on well with others

# Next steps

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# How do I find work experience?



*Start to research potential work placements:*

- Speak to family or neighbours - do they have any contacts, or are there opportunities where they work? Ask what jobs they do? Does it sound like something you'd like?
- If you have a part time job that you enjoy, ask if there is a different role in the company you could try
- Google local companies and make a list of any that sound interesting - find out who the manager is
- Visit some potential employers and ask if they accept students for work experience



# Where could I work?

*In the past, students have completed their work experience in the following:*

Retail stores and supermarkets

Dental surgeries

Veterinary surgeries

Schools and nurseries

Hairdressing salons

Hotels

Restaurants and cafes

Solicitors/legal practices

Gyms/leisure centres

Garages/repair workshops

Banks/building societies

works

General offices

Council offices

Engineering



# Where could I work?



All the photos you have seen in this presentation are of current Year 11 Parklands students in their work experience placements. If you are interested in a career in a particular area, this is the perfect opportunity to see if it suits you - and if not, you can re-think your plans!

# Work Experience Top Tips



[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hmk\\_-bOceC0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hmk_-bOceC0)



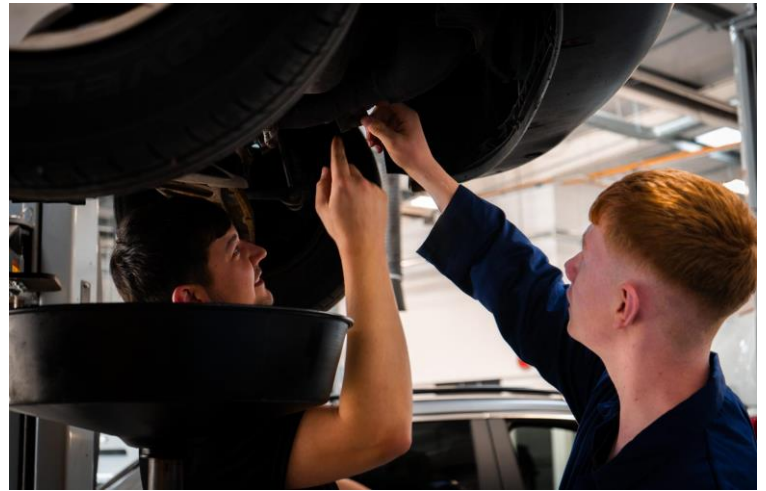


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