

Lincoln Castle Academy



2nd December 2020

Yr 10 Work Experience 2021 Cancelled

Dear Parent/Carer

You may be aware that as part of their Careers curriculum and work-related learning, Year 10 students were due to go on work experience week commencing 28th June 2021.

It is with huge disappointment, but not a surprise I am sure, that I have to inform you that we are cancelling the Year 10 work experience programme for this year. The ongoing situation we find ourselves in relating to Covid-19, government restrictions and public health guidance, makes it unmanageable and unsafe for employers and students. We appreciate this will be disappointing and the decision to cancel has not been made without serious consideration.

Work experience has proved to be of great value to students and I will be working with Mr Smith (Head of Year), local organisations, employers, our Enterprise Coordinator and Enterprise Advisor to identify virtual opportunities that may provide students with awareness and experience of the workplace and skills development. We are committed to taking advantage of any initiatives at local, regional and national level to ensure that our students are not disadvantaged and receive the same careers curriculum experiences as their peers at other schools.

If you wish to contact employers yourselves at any point in the future, to ask if they would accept your child in the long summer holiday or following Yr 11 GCSEs in 2022, you may wish to do so and you may find at that time they could accommodate you. This would not be arranged through school but work experience is always appreciated by future employers and Further/Higher Education providers.

A further opportunity for work experience through school will be available in Year 12 for those attending Lincoln Castle Academy Sixth Form.

We are sure that parents and carers will understand the context and reasons behind this decision. If any parent or carer would like to discuss this, they are very welcome to contact me on ls@lincolncastleacademy.co.uk.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Seddon

Careers Leader