

Work Experience Opportunities, Careers and Post-16 Options

Work Experience this
academic
year 206/7
Y12 July 5 – 9 July
Y10 July 12 – 16 July



School needs your help in order to provide our students with meaningful placements. We Need Your Help Building these opportunities isn't something schools can do in isolation. To truly bridge the gap between the classroom and the working world, we need the collective power of our community.

Whether you own a business, work for an employer, have business contacts or a business leader, we need your support. Here is how you can help us make a difference this academic year:

Employers Can you offer a placement? Whether it's hosting a traditional week-long experience, a business insight day, or a virtual workplace tour, your time can spark a lifetime career journey for a young person.

If you can help in any of the ways above please get in touch
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There will be assemblies, PD sessions & employer speakers in school in the near future talking about work experience. **It is never too early to secure your placement.**

If you would like to support any of our Careers Programmes please do get in touch for more information.

Glen Thomson our independent careers advisor will be making appointments to see all our Y11 students this academic year around next-steps. You can contact Glen on email below.
gthomson@aclandburghley.camden.sch.uk

Y12 please sign up to the Access

Aspiration Programme which the school have been using now for many years. This platform provides great opportunities for young people around many different fields. Work Experience, Seminars, Visits, Mentoring. Please complete the online form via the link and the platform will tailor opportunities to your answers and get in touch if anything relevant is available.

All Y10 & Y12 students will be shortly sent a welcome email via Unifrog to their school email accounts with their log-in information and how to access the Unifrog portal and upload placements. Please do check this.

If you want more information about a particular industry please contact tmaker@aclandburghley.camden.sch.uk

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Adding a Placement
PDF Acland Burghley

Sites offering placements

Futuresforall.org

Springpod.com

Access Aspiration Y12

Work Experience 2025/6

Last academic years placements were very successful, with students going out into the work place for 5 days experiencing the world of work. Comments from employers, parents, staff and students have been so positive with many employers already offering to place our students again in 2027.

I would like to thank all employers for supporting our students in July, we are so very grateful to you all, work experience is rarely forgotten and can help our students with decisions around their futures.

Comments from parents/tutors/students below.

Just wanted to thank you and let you know that our son has had a very positive time doing his work experience. He has been at a car garage and they have been very nice. Our son has gotten to get involved in everything from prepping cars (to be painted), changing parts of cars and of course using a jetwash and generally doing all the different jobs around the garage.

It's a great end to year 10 and our son will come away from it with lots of new confidence

It's been great having you in the office this week. Thank you for what you did. We hope you enjoyed your time with us.

You picked up the software very quickly, and asked good questions, so we're sure you've got a bright future ahead.

We hope you keep in touch - please let us know if you'd like to do more work experience with us, or if you have questions about studying architecture in the future.

It's been a pleasure meeting you and we wish you good luck for the future. Enjoy your summer.

Matt, Jim and the rest of the team.

Just to say we loved having Hallie here with us for the week.

She was brilliant and asked lots of great questions. She's a smart one, hard working and always offered to help- sure she'll go far! I hope she enjoyed being here and learning about the different areas of the business (she said she did).

Just visited Cherelle and Jana at the florist. Aya was very complimentary said they've worked really hard and been brave talking with customers.

They were making bouquets to take back to their families. They've done lots of different things like watching Aya make the arrangements, delivering flowers to the church and getting a feel for life there.

Aya gave a provisional yes for a placement next year!

I'm writing to provide some feedback on Jayden and Kaireece's work experience placement thus far. It would be wonderful to welcome them back after their 16th birthdays for an official volunteering position if they were agreeable to this.

Jayden and Kaireece have worked consistently hard throughout their one-week placement experience at Highgate Haven. Both young people arrived early for sessions and completed their check-in with the Team

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Manager and other staff members before sessions commenced, demonstrating professionalism, reliability, and a strong commitment to their placement.

Throughout the week, they played an active role in creating session plans and planning engaging activities for the young people attending the provision. They maintained a positive attitude at all times, supporting both staff and the Team Manager while on site. They interacted confidently with the children and coordinated a variety of fun games and activities, helping to keep participants positively engaged throughout each session.

Jayden and Kaireece also supported the delivery of football, and cooking sessions. In addition, they assisted with maintaining health and safety and safeguarding procedures by ensuring that all children signed in and out of sessions upon arrival and departure.

Both young people participated in group reflective practice, where sessions were reviewed by the wider team. During these discussions, strengths and areas for development were identified, and strategic interventions were planned to continually improve the quality and consistency of the service provided to children. Jayden and Kaireece demonstrated maturity by reflecting thoughtfully on their own performance and identifying ways they could improve each day. It has been an absolute pleasure to host both young men during their placement. They have been enthusiastic, respectful, dependable, and willing to learn throughout their time with us. I sincerely hope they feel encouraged to pursue a career in youth work or return to Highgate Haven as official volunteers and paid staff in the future.

I have no doubt they would continue to make a positive contribution to the lives of young people.

Throughout the week he was introduced to the differing roles, session and projects that the club's Community Department has to offer. He participated in different activities/roles ranging from assisting with Coaching sessions, learning the roles of the Health & Safety, Safeguarding and Security teams whilst gaining knowledge of what the Community Department has to offer the wider public in terms of Football engagement and other offerings outside of football.

Another day of visiting students and it was such a lovely experience. All are doing really well and employers are super impressed. Firstly saw Lex, she's enjoyed the week and learnt a lot. Effie was really impressed with her work ethic and politeness.

Then met Jeriah, he's been seeing what freelance work is like and has been involved in all sorts of sessions, learning a lot about the industry and production. Sophie was really happy with everything Jeriah has done and said he gave such insightful and valid input! Lacey is doing really well at WSP, she's met a lot of people and is currently creating a PowerPoint about giving back to community and will present to her mentor Zoe tomorrow. I saw the ppt and it looks great, really tangible skills too.

Heath has done a bit of everything at Santander. He was telling me all about the work he did today with treasury and within data protection.

All employers were thrilled and said the curiosity of all students was really commendable.

Zoe at WSP and Effie at Hentons said a provisional yes for a placement next year and Paul at Nationwide gave a more solid yes to placement.

It's been fab to see them shine!

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Arthur is with us today at the studio. He has been excellent student. Today he is shadowing / leaning edit process.

Lucy Paul

Thanks for your kind words and coming along to our SEN Jobs at the Zoo course, it was genuinely a pleasure meeting the learners, and we really hope they enjoyed exploring the different career pathways available at the zoo. We would love for you to join us again next academic year!

Eedris! He was great, his team won the People's Choice Award for their presentation at the end 😊

He showed up everyday and was very engaged, and worked very well with his team. He was absolutely lovely!

Lily is enjoying it, thank you for helping get her the role. I think she really appreciated Mr Robinson visiting yesterday.

We are on day 3, I haven't had to wake my son up, I haven't any issues, I wouldn't say he is ecstatic, but the difference between school and work experience is like chalk and cheese! Thank you so much for making sure this happen.

I learnt how all the people and roles involved in a workplace or project collaborate and communicate in order to achieve a shared outcome. It was Interesting to see how each person's responsibilities differed and what each role entailed within the project. Additionally, learning the processes of communication between the people involved

was intriguing. For example, how the artist shares an initial outline and plan with the project manager and curators which is altered and designed around the abilities and limitations of the location, safety regulations and other considerations, before being passed on to the installers and put into action and then finally being reviewed again by the artist for any last changes.

I learnt that ORB international uses the radio from the country they're researching and that tells them a lot about what they think of a certain thing like for example vaccines or that they believe certain diseases are fake and what not. In the last day I presented my findings to the group and it went really well :) I may come back here potentially for work experience for sixth form or maybe next year for some early work experience :]

I learnt that there are many different roles inside of zoo. They are all as important as each other. I also learnt that some jobs although not so physically demanding can still be very difficult.

During the placement i was able to clean the tortoise enclosure and make them good feed. I was able to provide them some enrichment as well. The supervisor said we did very well and in fact did more than we needed to.

I think I would now love to work with animals in the future. It has really shown me that there is more to zoos than just taking care of the animals it also involves enclosure design and visitor engagement

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I learnt to work as part of a team and to do jobs even when not asked. And speaking with the team to coordinate who does what.

I'm proud of doing tasks when not directly asked to, as well as working with others and always asking if others needed a hand when doing tasks such as cleaning

I think I now have a good relationship with the Lido team and hopefully will be able to work there at 18 after I get my NPLQ at 17. Possibly also looking for other lifeguarding jobs in the meanwhile before 18, or even swimming instructor.

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I learnt that in the workspace you are more independent — you are given a task due for a certain deadline to complete a project or task and you have to allocate what you do each day and you are free to ask questions about the project to make sure you know what to do. Harrys Project below

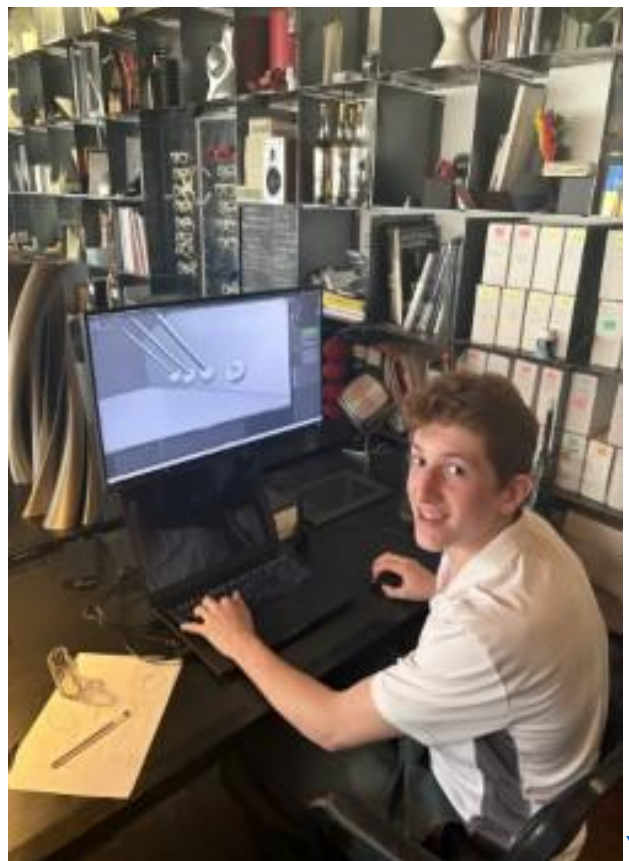


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Y12 taking part in work experience at Google

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