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16TH May 2023

Dear Parent/Carer



TAKE YOUR CHILD TO WORK DAY
Friday 14th July, 2023

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At Wednesfield Academy, we are continually looking for different ways to support your child in preparation for their future career. Work experience has long been recognised as one of the best ways to help young people in this journey. We are therefore delighted to announce a very special day, which is to take place on Friday 14th July, 2023. 'Take Your Child to Work Day' will be an opportunity for your child to accompany a parent/carer, relative or family friend to work and gain a full day of valuable work experience.

The idea is to give Year 9 pupils a 'taste' of the real world of work, and, to enable them to recognise the relevance of the school curriculum to the workplace. Pupils will gain first-hand experience of the workplace and learn new skills that can help prepare them for their future.

The feedback we received from pupils who have completed work experience in the past has been very positive. Some pupils gained a new appreciation for the hard work their parents do every day, and many pupils gained valuable new skills, such as confidence and teamwork. Our pupils also came away feeling more positive about the world of work.

If you would like your child to take part, we do need to ensure that appropriate steps are taken regarding your child's safety during their placement. If you can support your child with a placement, I would be most grateful if you could **complete the attached form and ask your child to return it to reception by Friday 9th June, 2023**. It is essential that the employer has the required insurances in place to cover work experience pupils and that appropriate arrangements are in place to manage the placement.

Although Take Your Child Work Day will be a very popular event, we are also aware that not everyone will find it easy to arrange a placement. Wednesfield Academy will be running a virtual workplace experience in school, for anybody who is unable to secure a work placement on Friday 14th July. **Any pupil who does not take part in the 'Take Your Child to Work Day' will be expected to attend school as normal on Friday 14th July, 2023.** Please ensure you complete and return the attached form, even if your child is not taking part in the work placement.

I do hope that you will want to give this opportunity your full support. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact Miss Rehman, Careers Lead through the enquiry email.

Yours faithfully

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