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# Year 10 Work Experience 2018

"Ready to Learn"

- Week beginning 5 March was Year 10 work experience week.
- 213 students when out on placement.
- 4 off these placements were off Island.

# Where did Students go?



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Over 180 companies offered placements to our students, without their kind offer to support the scheme the work experience would not be possible. There was a wide variety of placements offered:

Administration/Offices

Advocates

Accountancies/Banks

Animal care

Beauty and Hairdressing

Catering

Construction including Architecture and Surveying

DOI including Airport and Harbours

Educational facilities – Nurseys/Schools

Engineering

Garages

Health and Fitness

ICT

IOM Steam Packet

Marketing

Retail

Youth Centre/Soundcheck

# Why do Work Experience ?

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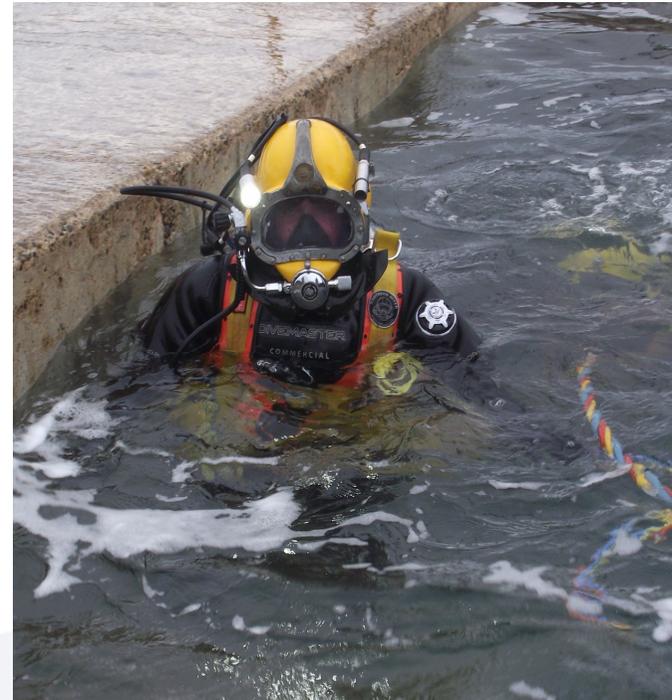
Think back to your work experience week, hopefully it helped you with:-

- Enhancement of Employability skills eg. Manners, time management, people skills (getting on with people !), communication, teamwork, initiative, organization etc.
- Additional skills you would not learn in school and remember you will all get a job eventually and need these skills.
- Very useful for your C.V applications and personal statements! Companies love to see what students have done in this area.
- Given you a better understanding that hours of work are different to what you do in school ie have to work longer hours or shift work.
- Hopefully work experience had helped you make great contacts for the future and perhaps get a part-time job from it, maybe summer work or in the future full time employment!

## Employer's Feedback

As our first work experience person the whole team found it very easy and it gave us the chance to look with fresh eyes at how we work and helped make us work more safely. He learned about safety at work, our risk assessments and work permits. Safety at sea, correct PPE, using life jackets, appropriate methods of getting on and off boats. He learned to drive our large RIB, how to tie knots and use them in real situations like tying the boat up alongside the pier and out at sea to buoys and how we work as a team. Because he showed enthusiasm and ability the team decided to let him do a try dive in our diving gear. He then learned about buoyancy, pressure underwater, in water communications and saw some interesting marine life.

A very positive experience for us all!



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- It was a pleasure having the student here. She did a lot of useful work for us and seemed to enjoy her work at the library
- We really enjoyed having the student with us, he's a credit to his school and did really well in what is a large office environment.
- I just wanted to pass on some really positive feedback about the three students they all did extremely well and were thoroughly professional throughout the whole week. They had a good 'menu' of experiences in a primary school, working in different key stages and getting to know the administrative running of the school with my secretary.
- We would like to send our thanks to both students who made an excellent impression on all the staff here at Victoria House Nursery. Both young ladies proved a real asset to the nursery and their practice whilst they were here was exemplary. They were professional in their approach showing enthusiasm and eager willingness to learn. The questions they asked were relevant and demonstrated a quick understanding of the role as a practitioner. The children and staff have all missed them this week and we hope to see them again in the future. We wish them both well and hope that they follow a career in Early years.
- A massive help in collating information and the project was completed ahead of time!
- Quiet at the start of the week and by the end of the week her personality shone through and was a pleasure to have.

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- Brilliant – he surprised me with his confidence and was keen to ask questions!
- Can't praise the students enough.
- Achieved 100% accuracy on their final assessment.
- A credit to the firm whilst on her placement. She was a delight to have in the office and a great help!
- Excellent impression of himself and the School, we hope he found the experience useful and we are sure what ever direction he takes he will have a bright future ahead.
- Absolutely incredible during her time with us. We were amazed at her attitude and imitative.
- Polite, conscientious, always willing to learn and take on new tasks.
- The student has performed to very high standards, he is quick to listen and pick up instructions. He was punctual, diligent in his attitude and work.
- Eager to learn and took on every task she was given with a positive attitude. Felt like a real member of the team.

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- The student was respectful both with customers and staff, she was a pleasure to have and is a credit to herself and the School.
- Very pleasant lad, always keen to ask the right questions! Well done.
- His confidence grew as the week went on and it was great to see such enthusiasm approaching tasks, a pleasure to have on board.
- The student got involved in all task and watched several different surgeries being performed. She was a great help to us.
- Star! Hard working! Polite! Great guy!!
- The student has clearly enjoyed the experience and we have offer the student the opportunity to return in the summer holidays for additional work experience.
- In each area the student has been in we have received great feedback regarding his positive energy and willingness to learn.

# Students Feedback



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**Teacher visited the students at their placement and here is some your comments about the placement you were at.**

- Everyone is really nice and helpful
- It's enjoyable, educational and I have learnt a lot.
- Having a great time and enjoyed being kept busy and challenged.
- Really enjoying the placements and has improved my confidence.
- The company is welcoming and well organised.
- This is a career path I want to pursue, so learning lots and enjoying it!
- Enjoying the new challenges and is now more confident is asking questions.

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- Staff are very friendly and enjoying the experience.
- Having a great time and am learning lots.
- Had an excellent week, did loads! A positive experience.
- Really interesting and variety of tasks, am never bored.
- Really enjoying the placement, loving the challenge including the interaction with patients and customers.
- Gained more confidence and learnt so much.
- Very happy and enjoyed what I am doing.

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## Student comments: The best parts!

- The freedom involved with my work. I really enjoy making designs that are unique to my creativity.
- When explaining tasks & helping children with fundamentals skills E.g. literature skills. It's very satisfying for when they finally understand what they need to do.
- Improving our IT skills and communicating to others. The relief of dealing with slightly tough situations successfully is also very satisfying.
- I was surprised on the first day on how laidback and free the environment was. Everyone I've talked too so far has been very friendly and helpful. The second day was awesome. I was researching and creating a blog about virtual reality and it was highly interesting. I was satisfied with my conclusion and felt like I learnt something of value.
- Everyone is fun and upbeat, and I've been very welcomed.
- I never feel pressured into doing a task until I'm comfortable and confident to take it on, and when I need help it's always available



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And Finally....

We hope you all found your work experience a worth while  
experience and remember...

You have **BRAINS** in your **HEAD**.  
You have **FEET** in your **SHOES**.  
You can **STEER** yourself any  
**DIRECTION** you **CHOOSE**.  
~ Dr. Seuss