



To quote the Gatsby framework “Every pupil should have first-hand experiences of the workplace through work visits, work shadowing, and / or work experience to help their exploration of career opportunities and expand their networks.

By the age of 16 every pupil should have had at least one experience of a workplace, additional to any part-time jobs they may have.

By the age of 18, every pupil should have had one further such experience, additional to any part-time jobs they may have.”

Lydiard Park Academy are committed to the full implementation of Gatsby Benchmark 6.

To support our pupils, we offer a dedicated work experience programme for Year 12 and Year 13, giving our pupils direct access to business and networks.

We continue to develop the implementation of ‘work placement’ opportunities, with all Year 10 pupils having opportunities to visit a variety of industries. This will enable the understanding and awareness of the labour market and career opportunities open to them.

Work experience can be difficult to source so to help we have included a variety of websites which offer advice and guidance.

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Finding a placement



<https://successatschool.org/advisedetails/506/Work-Experience-Ideas>

A website highlighting the features and benefits of a positive work experience placement.

Offers information on how to secure a work experience placement.



<https://www.allaboutcareers.com/careers-advice/work-experience>

A website offering a variety of information including 'how to apply for work experience' and 'work experience ideas'



<https://www.reed.co.uk/career-advice/work-experience-letter-template/>

Jobs and careers website www.reed.co.uk offer information on work experience but also include a 'letter of application' templates to help young people with the application process.



<https://www.pearson.com/uk/learners/secondary-students-and-parents/career-choices/careers-advice-topics/how-to-find-work-experience.html#:~:text=Always%20be>

Hints and Tips on how to source work experience



<https://www.prospects.ac.uk/jobs-and-work-experience/work-experience-and-internships>

Hints and Tips on how to source work experience, volunteering, internships and work shadowing opportunities