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Dear Parents and Carers

RE: Year 10 Work Experience

Unfortunately, due to the current situation with COVID-19, we have taken the tough decision for the safety of the students to cancel this year's work experience for Year 10. We are also acutely aware that due to the lockdown periods, learning is already being compromised, so more time out of school will only further compromise potential achievements.

It is realised there is no way to completely replace the real-world work experience and opportunities it brings to students. With that in mind, we have, devised a bespoke interactive programme designed to meet the needs of each individual chosen career choice. We feel we will still provide a good insight to the world of work and employment and help the students plan their own journey. It is our intention to deliver this module during PSHE lessons in March 2021.

We will also be providing an opportunity for any student considering choosing a medical related career the chance to complete a module based virtual work experience course, ran by Brighton University. They will start this course during their PSHE lessons to ensure that full support is provided. Students are of course welcome to find their own work experience position during the Academy holidays if they are able to.

If you have any questions regarding this, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

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