



Venerable Bede Church of England Academy

Dayspring Trust



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Dear Parent/Carer,

We are planning a 'Take Your Child to Work Day' on Friday 7th July 2023 for Year 8 and 9 pupils. This will involve pupils spending a day at their parents'/carers' work, shadowing them throughout the day. It will give pupils valuable experience of the world of work, and prepare them in the long term for their entry into the workplace. They will have an assignment to fill in while they are at the workplace, and have a debriefing when they return.

We do understand that for a variety of reasons it may not be possible for your child to accompany you to your place of work e.g. you will have to acquire the permission of your employer to have your child work with you on that day. If it is not possible for your child to accompany you, you can ask relatives or friends if they would be able to accommodate them so that they all have an equal opportunity to take part. If a suitable placement is still not available, your child will need to be in school that day - they will follow a combination of their regular timetable and some modified lessons.

Parents/carers should use their own judgement about where their child goes. However, if parents/carers work at home or alone, it is unfortunately not a new learning experience or environment and is therefore not a suitable placement. It may also not be appropriate for Health and Safety purposes. For example, if the parent/carers is based on a building site, or in other hazardous situations.

We hope you can arrange for your child to accompany someone throughout a normal working day. They will travel to and from work with that person and be covered by the 'Health and Safety' practices of the organisation that they are visiting and their insurance.

Please find attached some further details to those outlined above. If you have any questions, please email Mrs. Carr at gail.carr@venerablebede.co.uk.

Alternatively, if you wish, you can join us at our face-to-face meeting in school to discuss the attached details and to ask any questions on **Wednesday 24th May 2023**.



The session will run between 4:00 and 5:00pm. If you wish to attend this session, you will need to sign up to the event using SchoolCloud, which can be accessed via the following link: <https://vbede.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

In order to ensure the opportunity to discuss any concerns on a one-to-one basis as needed, places at each session are limited and will be restricted to a maximum of 3 people per pupil, including the pupil themselves. Bookings for this event will open on Wednesday 10th May at 4pm and will close on Monday 22nd May at 4pm.

The following link will take you to an online form for you to complete in order to let us know whether your child will be attending a place of work on the 'Take Your Child to Work Day' and details of any placement:

Year 8:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=P8q1xxAVoE-azVY3VSMp8Cu68tDSrkJFh9-3HMEXzr5URFk2SzlBMkVXVUg0WEQ3SIFWREpUODBRRi4u>

Year 9:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=P8q1xxAVoE-azVY3VSMp8Cu68tDSrkJFh9-3HMEXzr5UMLhPVTdENjBZTjNST0IzU0U3NFIZMVJCUi4u>

Please complete the online form, no later than **Friday 9th June**. Many thanks for your continued support.

Kind Regards,

Mrs Carr

Careers Lead

