



Castle School

Year 10 Work Experience

1st - 4th November 2016



Cissy



I worked in Bloomfield Centre for my work experience. I did a big range of jobs over the whole week e.g. answering the phone, working with nursery children, filing paperwork, and picking apples from the community trees.

My confidence has grown from answering the phone and I have learned that I am not very tolerant of little children!

This was a very good experience and I have gained a lot.

Morgan



I went to Radio Pembrokeshire for my work experience.

I did various things such as digital work on websites, sales, promoting and even working as a radio presenter! I enjoyed my week as it was interesting and fun. The best thing I did was make my own advert for the radio.

This has confirmed for me that I really enjoy video editing and production and my want to pursue this as a career.



I went to Bluestone and I had a good time. I did so many different things. We worked in the cafe and shop where we did some restocking, in the sales office where we listened to the phone calls and watched how they dealt with guests, and in the adventure centre and blue lagoon. Finding our way around was quite hard and some of the hills were very steep!

I did enjoy my week and would like to go back there.

Rakshy



For my work experience I went to St Thomas's Surgery. I had to mainly do administration work such as sorting out prescriptions and stapling brochures together.

The highlight of my work was acting as a patient for doctor's mock CSA exams. I really enjoyed this as it showed me how two different doctors diagnosed the same disease.

I also had the chance to speak to medical students which gave me an insight into how you become a doctor. I really enjoyed my time and it has changed my perception about medicine as a potential career.



Elle

For my work experience I went to St Florence Primary VC School. I was working with Reception to Year 6 as a teaching assistant.

I enjoyed my week and got on with everyone there. It has now made me interested in teaching young children and I found the week very useful.

I didn't think about becoming a teacher until now. My confidence has grown and I really got on well with the children.

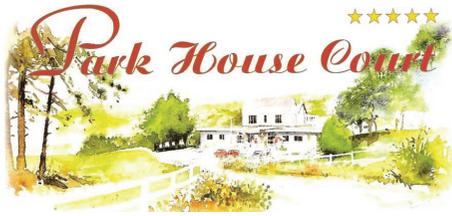


I went to work at a construction site near Boshaston, helping prepare to build some garages. I worked helping the engineer in site levelling, laser levelling, measuring and learned what the engineer does and experienced some of the responsibilities involved. I also tried being a plant operator, driving the mini digger and dumper!

The best experience I had was being praised for my work, knowing I did well, plus I had a lot of fun driving. I realised the hard work involved in order to achieve the best and learned how to approach the equipment with the right attitude, and the huge responsibility of being safe about the workers and vehicles.

I loved every bit and found it extremely inspiring and it has confirmed what I want to do as a career, which is be a plant operator or engineer. It was such a rewarding experience.

India



I went to Park House Retirement Home for my work experience, and I found it a very interesting week.

During the week I did lots of different things including entertaining the residents (games, puzzles etc), helping serve breakfast and feed them, and going with them on bus trips around the coast.

Overall I really enjoyed my time at the home and found it a very useful experience, even though I am not sure if it is something I'd like to do in the future. I realised I have a lot more patience than I thought.

Hal



Freshwest
Design showcase

My work experience was great because I got to use big machinery and tools. I worked with two different design companies. They produce lighting, furniture and metal sculptures. I used machines such as a metal lathe, a huge automatic drill and made my own high precision metal spinning top.

I really enjoyed the week and learned that I like to work with raw materials and turn them into something useful. The people I worked with were supportive and helpful.

I would consider this kind of work as a career, or if not, would certainly have it as a hobby. I would rate this week as 9 out of 10.

Phoebe



I went to work in the nursery at Bloomfield Centre. I looked after children aged 4 and under. When I got there, every day we went to the hall and the children played with balls and bikes. Then we went back to the class and had snacks and did some painting. I spent a lot of time just playing with the children.

I learned that I would not be able to work with children of that young age as I do not have the patience.



Will

I went to Bonville's Court Caravan Park for my work experience. It was very interesting. I spent half my time working on draining vans for the winter and getting pitches ready for the summer, so I got very dirty.

I found out that there are a lot of responsibilities owning and working on a caravan park and it is really hard and stressful.

I enjoyed my time working there but I don't think it is a career for me just yet, maybe in a few years.



Rachel

I went to Templeton Primary School for my work experience. Although I was really nervous I'm glad I went and I really enjoyed my time there. It has given me a real insight into primary school teaching.

I worked with all the different year groups helping them with various different things from sharpening pencils to helping them with web designs.

I don't think I have the patience to work with the younger years but I really enjoyed working with the older years.

Domi

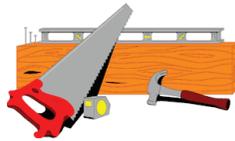


Whilst I was at work experience I learned a couple of new things about myself such as I'm not comfortable being threatened by dogs or that dog grooming isn't the job for me. You have to be really patient and I'm impatient.

The kinds of job I was given was cleaning dog fluff, washing the bath out, occupying the dogs and mixing dog shampoo etc

I have also learned that I have to improve my communication as I was very shy. Even though I didn't really enjoy my work experience I learned something new about myself which will help me in the future.

Ethan



For my work experience I went to Josh Williams carpentry. During the week we worked on a kitchen and I learned a variety of things. One main life lesson was to measure twice, cut once.

I found that carpentry is not something I would want to do for a living and is expensive to get into.

Overall I enjoyed my time and would go back if I had the chance.



Betty

I went to Stackpole VC School for my work experience and worked with the reception, nursery and playgroup children. Sometimes it was hard to keep their attention and I realised it takes a lot of patience and tolerance to be a teacher, and that they always have to look out for their pupils.

I was given the responsibility of designing a Christmas setting with various props that were in the school.

I found the week wonderful and fun. I don't think teaching is a career for me, because you have to be so responsible and mature and look after such small children.

I would like to thank all the amazing staff at the school for making me feel so welcome and giving me so much support.

Sam



For my work experience I went to TFL where I travelled much of south Wales supplying internet and 2 way telecommunications.

I did many things including cleaning solar panels, installing internet equipment and surveying new jobs.

It is something I would like to do in the future because I have an interest in computers and radios.

Many thanks to all the organisations and businesses that supported our pupils and gave them such a valuable week of work.