

Offsite Visits – Careers Focus

If you are taking your children on a visit out of school, they are a fantastic opportunity to include a careers focus as a small part of your day.

We would recommend including a 10 – 15-minute activity linked to the career opportunities and pathways available within the host organisation.

Contact the provider prior to your visit and ask if they have three members of staff who would be able to explain provide an overview of their role, their pathway (e.g., apprenticeship, university, training) and details of their day-to-day tasks, ideally with a focus on skills.

This would then be followed by an opportunity for the children to ask any questions. It might be worth considering think of some questions prior to the visit to share on the day.

Suggested Communications

There are some proposed communications to support below:

Dear X,

We are really looking forward to our visit to on

To support our children's understanding of the link between what they learn in school and the world of work, we are currently developing our career-related learning programme.

Through our career-related learning activities we aim to:

- Raise aspirations and challenge stereotypes
- Increase awareness of the range of jobs available
- Broaden pupils' horizons by meeting employer role models.

It would be great to include a short career activity as part of our forthcoming visit. This could involve three members of staff to provide an overview of their role, their pathway (e.g., apprenticeship, university, training) and then details of their day-to-day tasks, focused on skills, followed by an opportunity for the children to ask questions. This would take approximately 15 minutes. We can provide further guidance if this would be helpful.

We hope you will support us to share the range of career pathways and opportunities within your sector with our young people.