



# Atlantic Academy Portland

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Dear Parents/Carers,

At Atlantic Academy, we are passionate about ensuring we provide our students with as much careers guidance as possible to enable our students with the tools to make an informed decision regarding their futures. Throughout their time with us, students will have the opportunity to visit post 16 providers, colleges and universities and the opportunity to participate in drop down days, insight into industry talks and mock interviews.

I am pleased to inform you that as part of the year 10 careers curriculum during the week of Monday 23rd June 2025 students will be invited to participate in a week's work experience in the local community.

Why do work experience?

- Work experience gives the student a more competitive edge when applying for Higher Education courses/ or apprenticeships and jobs.
- It offers the student the opportunity to use skills learnt in the classroom - applying their knowledge to real life situations.
- It gives the student the opportunity to try a career before committing themselves, so they get a better idea of what they really want to do.
- It is a great way to develop employability skills such as communication, IT, problem solving, and teamwork

Work experience is a very worthwhile opportunity and we know our students will benefit greatly from their placements. I would like to invite you in for an information evening on Tuesday 26th November. The short evening will introduce work experience, and the requirements for the students. The evening will last 45 minutes and start at 4pm, attendance is expected.

If you do know of any local business that has employer liability insurance that would be happy to support our students in a work experience placement between Monday 23rd- Friday 27th June 2025, I would appreciate it if you could contact me via email ([tboard@atlantic-aspirations.org](mailto:tboard@atlantic-aspirations.org)) for further information regarding hosting a student.

Kind Regards

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