



CAMBORNE SCIENCE & INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY

Learning to be Extraordinary

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Dear Year 10 Students and your Parents and Carers

I hope that this letter finds you all safe and well. Your resilience throughout these times is commendable and we are enormously proud of you.

I am writing to inform you that due to the uncertainty of the next couple of months; the pressures on businesses and the community as and when we return to 'normal'; and most importantly, you and your well-being – that we have made the decision to not hold your scheduled work experience week.

We will look at the possibility of rearranging your work experience week for after you have sat your exams in 2021. I am immensely proud of the way you have all conducted yourselves in your search for placements. Your approach to letter writing; telephone calls; interviews; and work -place tours has been exemplary and is a true reflection of the extraordinary individuals you are. You have been the embodiment of our values as a school and I thank you for your perseverance in securing placements that match your aspirations.

I know that this will come as a disappointment to you, which is why we will explore a new date for 2021, so you are able to have that incredibly valuable experience. We will keep you updated so you are able to contact your employers. For your next steps, I would like you to join our Year 10 Work Experience Google Classroom (code: i5il67g). Within that classroom, I will place a template letter you can edit and send to your employer, as it is important for you to maintain a good working relationship with a business who has already invested time in accepting you on a placement. Particularly as many could be your future employers.

For those of you who have had your approval and consents forms processed by myself and Cornwall Council, I will be contacting those employers over the coming weeks, in addition to the contact that you make with them. Remember, our hope is that you will maintain the same placement for 2021. Many students have found from previous placements that they have received offers for part-time employment and support on their career paths – I envisage that this will be the same for you.

I will also post some virtual work experience opportunities in the Google Classroom, and would advise that you utilise the careers section of our website to explore resources such as www.careerpilot.org.uk as part of your careers education learning journey. Look out over the next month for Extraordinary Me Awards as another string to add to your bow when building your curriculum vitae.

For the week 13-17 July, you will be following your normal timetable. Following our Prime Minister's briefing on 10 May to the nation, we cannot confirm whether that will be in school or at home - we will continue to follow the advice and guidance of Public Health England and the Department of Education. Please refer to Mr Kirkbride's Year 10 letter for further guidance on maintaining success with your home learning.

Should you have any questions regarding the content of this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me on gellatlys@cambornescience.co.uk

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gellatly', with a horizontal line underneath.

Mrs Gellatly
Assistant Principal for Character Education