



NEWSLETTER

Regular news updates from All Saints School, Lessingham

KEY DIARY DATES

February 22

11th—PLEASE NOTE

School closed in lieu of additional bank holiday

14th-18th—Half term

March 22

7th—18th—Careers week

7th—11th—Student Council week

28th — 20th April—Easter Holidays

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Numbers to contact for help

Ms Dangerfield: 07879 875925

Miss Paffett: 07733 417296

Norfolk children's support line:

Text 07480 635060 or call 0344 800 8029

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Firstly, an update on the pandemic. Thank you once again to everyone for their support in keeping us regularly informed of what is happening at home to enable us to make decisions at school. If your child is at home, we will be setting work and talking to you about how best we can support you whilst they are at home. We, like all schools, have experienced staffing absence, partly as a result of positive cases but also for other reasons, which means that your son or daughter may not have their regular teachers or TA's for a short period of time. I am so grateful to my wonderful staff who are adapting day in and day out and doing all they can to provide the very best support for our young people.

As I have been walking around the school and visiting the classrooms I have been delighted to see the work that all year groups are producing. This week's newsletter is a very small snapshot of some of the wonderful work that is happening in school. I am reminded of the quote by Henry Ford

“If everyone is moving forward together, then success takes care of itself”

It certainly feels like this is the case in school at the moment. As always please do get in touch with us, we can't help if we don't know about it.

Toys

There has been an increase in the number of toys being brought into school which is causing upset and arguments amongst students.

Please can we ask that no toys are brought in unless they are therapeutic fidget toys, ie poppets. Bay Blades etc are not permitted.

We have also noticed an increase in swapping fidget toys which has caused some upset, we are going to tell the children that this cannot continue.

Thank you for your support with this.

Reminders:

Absence: Please call the school office before 8.30am if your child is not coming in for any reason. If your child travels to school by taxi, you need to contact the taxi firm directly.

Covid19 Testing: If you are home (lateral flow) testing, please ensure you are doing so twice a week (e.g. Mondays and Thursdays) If you need any additional testing kits please let us know and we will be happy to provide them. If your child is unwell (and especially if showing any Coronavirus symptoms) please call us for advice—do not send them to school.

Medication: If your child requires medication during the school day, the medicine **must be** sent in its original packaging and an administration of medicine form completed and sent with it. Both must then be handed in to the office for safety reasons and in line with our school policy.

Friday 11th February: School will be closed on this date in lieu of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.



Year 11 Work Experience—11th—15th July

(this can also start a week earlier if needed to support a 2 week placement)

Michelle Atkins—WEX Norfolk Experience Team

Hi, my name is Michelle and I'm happy to be supporting your young people with their work experience placements this year!



I'll be working with the students, finding out what their interests are and their hopes for the future. We'll have virtual meetings online so I can meet each young person individually (fully supported by school staff) in order to find a suitable work placement for each student.

Well done....

A huge 'well done' to all the year 10 and 11 students who have been working really hard over the last two weeks completing mock examinations in class, great effort from all.



Drum Kits

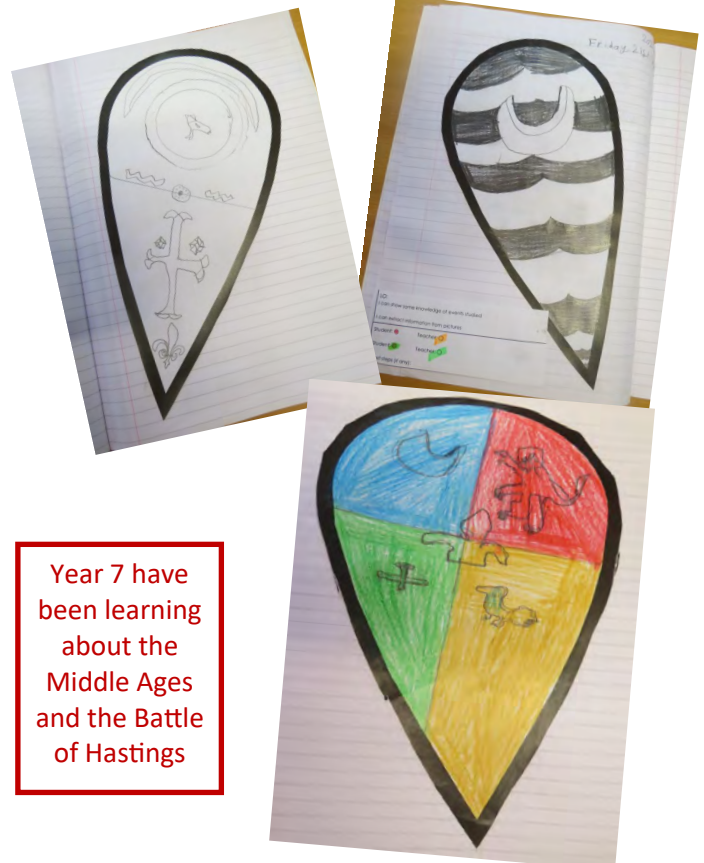
All Saints School has invested in three new electrical drum kits to enhance our music curriculum - Y9 had a lot of fun testing them out and the headphones meant the rest of the school could continue to work in peace!

Shield Symbols

- Lion** = you have courage and bravery
- The Crescent** = the King likes you and/or you hope for greater glory in the future
- Martlet** = you work hard and use your intelligence to make money
- Fleur-de-lis** = purity
- A star (the Estolle)** = the goodness of God and that you behave in a noble manner
- A ring** = you are faithful and always do your duty
- A rose** = hope (but if red it means grace and beauty and if white it means love and faith)
- Cross Moline** = you have faced a great event in your life
- = you live near the sea or water
- E** = you live in a town with a castle and/or fortifications
- = you are experienced and have overcome problems

Colours

- Gold (Or)** = generous
- Silver or White (Argent)** = peaceful and honest
- Red (Gules)** = warrior-like
- Blue (Azure)** = truthful and loyal to King and country
- Green (Vert)** = hope, joy, and loyal to your wife/husband
- Black (Sable)** = doesn't keep changing their mind, or grief
- Maroon (Sanguine or Murray)** = patient and doesn't rush into fights, yet will win in the end
- Purple (Purpure)** = has royal connections and treats others fairly
- Orange (Tawny or Tenne)** = ambitious



Year 7 have been learning about the Middle Ages and the Battle of Hastings

Some of our year 11 students have created posters to promote well-being—(they were a little camera shy)



A great piece of work by Naomh



Some of our college students showing their creative side



Here are some of the amazing displays in our classrooms





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**Work Experience for SEND
students:
Information for Parents**



What is work experience?

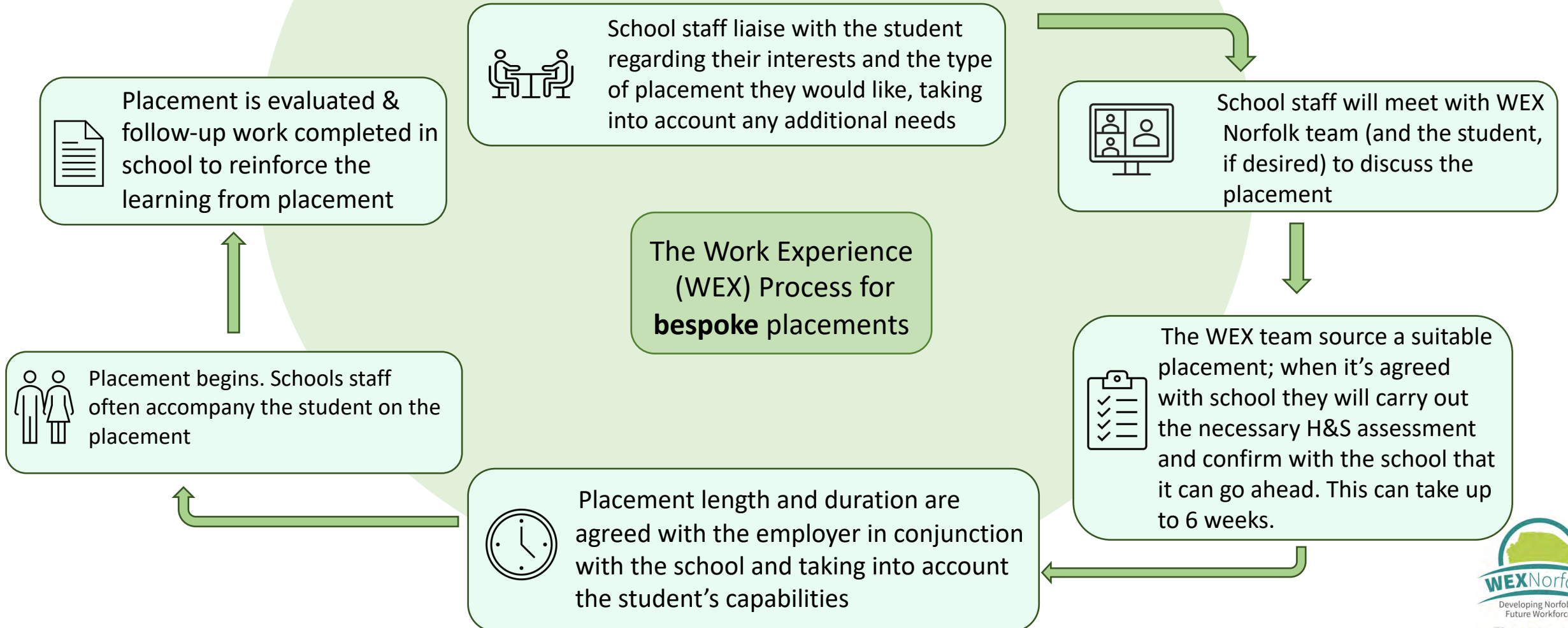
'A placement on a employer's premises in which a student carries out a particular task or duty, or a range of tasks or duties, more or less as would an employee, but with an emphasis on the learning aspects of the experience.'

Benefits of work experience

- Access to work experience (wex) helps young people develop skills needed for all jobs, such as teamwork and communication (transferable skills)
- It's a great chance to learn new skills
- It builds confidence in interacting with adults in a new/unfamiliar environment
- It provides valuable evidence to add to the student's vocational/personal profile
- Students can see how to apply what they've learnt in school to the working world, and vice versa

WEX Norfolk – 2 types of service are available to schools to purchase via our traded service

- **Standard:** This placement is sourced by the student, with family/school support if needed. A health & safety assessment is completed by the WEX Norfolk team.
- **Bespoke:** The WEX Norfolk team source the placement to suit the student's interests and aspirations, taking into account their individual needs. A health and safety assessment is completed. This type is most often used for students with SEND.



Further information and resources for Parents/Carers/Guardians

Information for Parents & Carers |

helpyouchoose.org

Here you will find our Parents/Carers/Guardians Guide to work experience, with more information on the benefits of work experience and how it works.

Visit Help You Choose

for more information on supporting your young person with work experience and choices at age 14+

Speak to your school's Careers Lead or Transition Coach

add details here

