

25 August 2021

2021 Virtual Work Experience

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Due to current COVID-19 restrictions, The College has been forced to cancel all planned **onsite Work Experience placements for 2021**. The College commends students who have already organised a Work Experience Placement, however, regrettably these **students must now contact their Work Experience employer to cancel their placement**.

Work Experience is an important learning opportunity for all students and can assist them in making decisions about future career paths. To provide students with this valuable opportunity The College will run a **Virtual Work Experience from Monday the 30th of August to Thursday the 2nd of September 2021**. The 2021 Work Experience week has been brought forward from Week 10 to Week 8 of Term Three to occur during the latest lockdown. It is the College's hope that this change in date will provide students with an additional week of onsite learning in Week 10 **(*pending the easing of COVID-19 restrictions)**.

Virtual Work Experience is a new initiative at Mt Hira College and will operate in the following manner:

- Virtual Work Experience will run from Monday the 30th of August until Thursday the 2nd of September
- All normal Year 10 classes will be cancelled during this time to allow students to exclusively focus on their Virtual Work Experience program
- Year 10 students completing an early start VCE subject must still attend their VCE lessons in addition to completing the Virtual Work Experience program
- Students will complete the Virtual Work Experience on the website: <https://www.vje.careers/> (please see the attached documents relating to how to use this website)
 - Students will log on using their school ICT login and password
 - Students will select a desired career area (E.G. law, nursing, construction, etc.) to complete a Virtual Job Experience in
 - Each course will run for approximately 15-20 hours (4-6 hours work per day)
 - Students must complete their selected Virtual Job Experience by 9.00am Friday the 3rd of September
 - Student work will be reviewed and certificates awarded upon completion of their selected Virtual Job Experience

Upon successful completion of their Virtual Job Experience, students will be issued with their Virtual Job Experience certificate. This certificate lists work-related skills demonstrated by students during their Virtual Job Experience and can be included on resumes. Virtual Job Experience is linked to the Mt. Hira College Careers website run by Career Tools.

If you have any questions about Virtual Work Experience, please contact Mr. Jack Franklin via email (jfranklin@mthira.vic.edu.au) or via phone (9709 0100).

Kind regards,



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