

June 2026

## Oriel High School Careers- June 2026

Dear parents/carers,

### Year 10 and year 12

We are pleased to announce that we have secured sufficient support from local businesses to offer our annual Mock Interviews Event. The event will be taking place on 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> July and it is our expectation that every student has an interview experience. The interview process is a vital part of securing employment and as such, these 20 minute mock interviews with feedback give our students a distinct advantage when trying to secure their first jobs.

The interviews will be face to face in the main hall, and will last approximately 15 minutes, with the employer asking questions as they would anyone applying to their company. They will then give some feedback once the interview has concluded. Students will need to consider their appearance (uniform for year 10s and smart dress for sixth formers), research the company and rehearse potential questions and answers prior to the event to make the most of it. Students will receive a lesson in PSHCE on interviews before the event takes place to try and prepare them further.

We are now opening the sign-up process to all students. We advise students to look down the list of attending companies and the roles they are interviewing for. Students should then look at the job descriptions and select one they would like to interview for which is their closest to their interests. If there isn't a role that your student is interested in, then maybe base the choice on which company they would prefer, or for a more generic role. We hope to be adding more companies over the coming week once they have confirmed. **I will update the school careers page as new additions confirm attendance or job description.** Job descriptions will be placed on the careers page of the school website and sent via satchel 1.

Sign-up will be on a first come first served basis and students/parents should email Mr Thornton [thornton@oriel.w-sussex.sch.uk](mailto:thornton@oriel.w-sussex.sch.uk) to confirm their selection or come to see us in the Careers office. **Any student who doesn't request an interview will be randomly assigned one.**

To help students prepare, please show them the attached documents with some frequent interview questions and sample answers. Encourage them to research the company and look through what they do and their careers page. Practise answering questions and giving examples with them over the coming 2 weeks. Once the timetable has been finalised, ensure they set an alarm and remind them of their interview the day before.

### Work Experience year 10

We have over 2/3s of the year group out on work experience in July which is fantastic. Thank you for your support with this. If you still haven't uploaded your child's placement onto Unifrog, there still may be time as we have more being added each day. Please remind students to complete their WEX Journal which I have attached again in case you can't find it. These journals can be completed electronically or printed and completed. Should your child wish to have one printed, please ask them to see us in the careers office. Once the WEX has been completed, mentors will be talking about the placement with mentees in the final week of term. To help students prepare, they will have a lesson in PSHCE dedicated to WEX over the next 2 weeks.

## List of attending companies and Job roles

Name of Company	Position/role for interview
Arora Group	Food and Beverage Assistant or Receptionist
Bluebell Railway	Entry Level Marketing & Social Media Assistant
British Airways	Ground Transport Services Agent
British Airways	Cabin Crew
Crawley Borough Council	Parks Team Leader
Crawley Borough Council	Customer Service Advisor
DHL	Customer Service Colleague
DHL	Ramp Colleague
Everwell Associates	Entry Level Social Media & EverWellness Assistant
K2	TBC
Madetech	Junior Designer
Nestle	Paralegal Apprentice
Network Rail	Project Management Assistant
Network Rail	Team Organiser
OSI Systems/Rapiscan	Assembly Operative
OSI Systems/Rapiscan	Procurement Coordinator
Sandman Signature Gatwick Hotel	Guest Service Agent/Receptionist
Siemens Train care	Receptionist and Administrator
Siemens Train Care	Production Technician
Thales	Project Planning and Controls Apprentice
Thales	Systems Engineering Apprentice
Toyota	TBA
Volker Highways	General Operative
Wish Fish	TBC
Worth Scaffolding Company	TBC

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