



# ABBOT'S LEA SCHOOL

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Dear Families and Friends of Abbot's Lea School

## **Ref: Supported Internship placements**

We are reaching out to you today as we are committed to providing inclusive opportunities for our students to prepare for, and (when the time comes), thrive in a workplace.

As part of this mission, we are reaching out to you - our valued community members, to seek your support in offering Supported Internship placements for our senior students, aged 16-19.

Currently, we are seeking Supported Internship placements, particularly within a car garage setting. However, we are very open to exploring opportunities in other sectors, too.

Therefore if you are able to help, or know someone or somewhere, open to helping youngsters with additional needs, to gain work-based learning experiences, please let us know and we will get in contact to share more information.

Our Supported Internship Programme aims to provide valuable work experience and skill development for individuals with additional needs. By partnering with local businesses and families, we create meaningful opportunities for these individuals to gain hands-on experience in a supportive environment. Our record to-date speaks for itself – with several years of supported internships, we have helped every intern to move on to a meaningful destination and gain further education, employment and valuable vocational skills for life.

We also look for work experience placements for our students (of secondary school age) and, ultimately, we are always keen to hear from those who might be looking for new employees, too!

If you believe that your business or an organisation you know, could play a role in empowering individuals with complex needs to reach their full potential, please contact me directly:

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Thank you for considering this opportunity; your support is truly appreciated.

Yours sincerely

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