



Dear Parent/Carer/Guardian

Friday 4th September 2015 marked an important day for UTC Bolton. After two years of careful planning and meticulous preparation we welcomed our first cohort of students. The students looked particularly impressive as we welcomed them through the gates on Rassbottom Street into the heart of the University of Bolton's campus. Please note that the Rassbottom Street entrance is a temporary arrangement until the public realm drop off zone and car parking is constructed.

The Every Day is an Interview philosophy is clearly already having a significant impact on students as they prepare for the opportunities that will present themselves over the next few years. Thank you for your support in ensuring that students complied with our uniform and business attire policies and arrived so punctually. Students have settled in well and clearly understand the vital role of personal responsibility and respect. The journey towards our promise of a university place, employment or further learning for every student that successfully graduates from UTC Bolton has now started.

Students are currently exploring a patient journey as part of a cross curricular induction programme - 'Bill's Problem'. The learning journey involves UTC teachers as well University of Bolton academics and employers who are helping to ensure that students hit the ground running in applying theory to practice. Over the course of our first full week they will proceed towards making a diagnosis and treatment plan for a simulated patient called Bill. Along the way they will acquire a range of professional and technical skills such as aseptic microbiology plating techniques, conducting A-Z patient surveys, and performing antigen-antibody diagnostic testing as well as discovering the range of health care professionals involved in providing support and care for Bill.

The week culminates in an exhibition of student work known as a 'Showcase'. Partners and sponsors will evaluate the quality of the work and award prizes to those teams demonstrating employability as well as professional competencies. As a parent we would like to invite you this 'Showcase' event from 16:00 until 18:00 in order for you to see first-hand how UTC Bolton is delivering on our promise and commitment in brokering student futures. Students should accompany their parents to view the exhibition and tour the building in uniform or business attire. I look forward to welcoming you into our new building for the evening.

I also take this opportunity to confirm that we will be closing the UTC for staff development from Wednesday 23rd September to Friday 25th September 2015 - with students returning on Monday 28th September. This will also provide an opportunity for Muslim families to enjoy Ed al-Adha celebrations.

Yours faithfully

David Goddard
Principal