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Ask for Fayth Rowe
Date 13 March 2023

Dear Headteacher / Principal,

As Deputy Chief Executive of Royal Berkshire Fire and Rescue Service, I am writing to inform you about our upcoming internship scheme running through the summer of 2023.

As part of our commitment towards being a more inclusive Service, we are offering five internship positions to 16 and 17 year old residents of Berkshire who are from ethnic backgrounds that are currently under-represented within our Service. This is the second year that we are running this internship scheme, following a successful opening year in 2022. It is a paid internship and will give students a fantastic opportunity to begin developing their workplace skills and discover the opportunities available in a modern fire and rescue service, at the stage when they may be beginning to think about their future careers.

The internship will last for five weeks over the course of the summer holidays, from Thursday, 13 July to Friday 18, August. During their time on the scheme, interns will have the opportunity to meet new people, develop key transferable skills for the future, including communication and teamwork, and also receive career development sessions and workshops. They will follow an exciting, tailored programme of activity, including tasks to complete in each department, as well as weekly visits to other operational fire stations across the county. In addition, they will also have access to a mentor within the Service, who can provide advice and support.

We are now accepting applications for this year's scheme, pupils can apply by visiting our website: rbfrs.co.uk/careers but if you have any questions or feedback, please contact Fayth Rowe, Summer Internship Project Lead, via email at rowef@rbfrs.co.uk. I believe that it will be an excellent opportunity for young people and look forward to welcoming our new interns this summer.

Yours Sincerely,

Nikki Richards,
Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Corporate Services