

North Manchester General Hospital Work Experience

Hospital Trolley

Students from sixth form have the opportunity to carry out voluntary work at North Manchester General Hospital. During work experience the students take a trolley round the hospital selling snacks, drinks and giving out newspapers. All of the students working at the hospital are supported by teaching assistants. They are growing in confidence and forming professional working relationships. They have developed skills including organisation, communication, monetary skills and have gained knowledge on map reading to name a few. Our students have also recognised the importance of providing a shop service to people unable to get off to wards and the positive impact they are having on the patients with a short conversation or simple good morning /get well soon and handing out newspapers.

Macmillan

Once a week at North Manchester General Hospital some of the North Ridge students volunteer with Macmillan. This involves labelling leaflets, preparing letters for posting, preparing event and advertising materials and also collating and organising information packs, bags and folders. The Macmillan staff prepare a work load each week for the students to complete and will give written and verbal instructions to help. This placement allows the students to work independently as well as with support when needed, they are very good at following demonstrations then replicating what has been shown. The students are encouraged to work as a team and to

communicate with each other asking for and offering help where needed.