



Leicestershire Education Business Company

## Work Experience at Ian Smith Electrical Ltd

December 2009

In December 2009, students from Belvoir High School successfully completed a week of work experience which was aimed at giving them an insight into what was expected of them in the workplace and a chance to learn new skills. This was the first time that Belvoir High School students had been given the opportunity to undertake a work experience placement and with the support of LEBC, nearly 100 Year 11 students were placed with a range of employers across the East Midlands.



One employer who took on the challenge on hosting 3 students was Ian Smith Electrical Ltd and Ian Smith, Managing Director, said "We believe that taking interested students onto the work experience scheme for a week gives them an inside look into the running of a local company. Just by being involved and integrated into a busy working environment helps them mature very quickly from a school pupil into an

employee and helps them cope with the many changes required to their normal daily routine."

Aaron Lane, one of the students placed at Ian Smith said: "It was a memorable experience, very enjoyable and I did not want it to end!"

Kay Harness, Co-ordinator at Belvoir High school said: "Giving students an experience of the job market and the world of work, gives them an opportunity to view possible future careers as well as an understanding of what is expected of them when at work."

