

## Engaging school pupils

### Best practice when approaching schools to work with:

1. Some members are proactively contacting schools to establish a long-standing relationship, in doing so, creating opportunities to deliver outreach activity year-on-year.
2. If you feel you could offer one or two work experience placements at your practice, it may be most appropriate to approach a school outside your immediate locality to develop a relationship with.
3. It is best to gain contact information for more than one staff member in a school in case teachers or careers advisers leave their role.
4. Members who are invited to engage with pupils in an independent, private or selective school, are encouraged to also consider, where possible, to also establish a relationship with a non-selective state school and replicate the same activity.
5. Share your ideas and fantastic work with us! If you are 1) approaching schools to work with for the first time; 2) are interested in widening participation (otherwise known as social mobility); 3) would like to discuss or share best practice; 4) or would like to understand the wider context of schools engagement, please contact the schools outreach team via [schools@rcgp.org.uk](mailto:schools@rcgp.org.uk) - we'd love to hear from you.