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Local High School Pupils in the Scottish Parliament

Jim Tolson MSP for Dunfermline West has offered work experience placements in the Scottish Parliament to pupils in the four local high schools in the area over the last two years. The placements are aimed at pupils excelling in Modern Studies.

A pupil from Dunfermline High School and one from St Columba's High School will be shadowing Jim for four days each during this month. Last year, two pupils from Queen Anne High School and Woodmill High School had the opportunity to take up a work experience placement in the Parliament.

Jim commented "Each pupil will have the opportunity to see how the Scottish Parliament works - shadowing staff, undertaking research, and also attending First Minister's Questions, debates and committee meetings. This will let some of our most talented Dunfermline pupils get a real feel for an MSPs role in the Scottish Parliament.

These placements have proved to be very successful. I plan to continue offering two places a year to the local schools in turn; next year I'll be offering this opportunity to Queen Anne High School and Woodmill High School pupils again."

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