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# Careers Newsletter

## National Apprenticeship Week Special



Dear Students, Parents and Carers,

National Apprenticeship Week takes place from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February to Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> February.

Apprenticeships are an important career pathway for students today and this edition aims to provide both students and parents with information about apprenticeships, as well as provide access to a range of activities students can engage with to broaden their understanding.

Students can access a range of resources in the [National Apprenticeship Week folder](#) on the VLE.

Throughout the week there are various virtual events taking place and links to these can be found on the events page and further apprenticeships vacancies can be found on the Apprenticeship Opportunities page.

[The National Apprenticeship Show](#) takes place on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> February from 10am – 6pm.

Finally, I have added some information regarding another pathway that students may be less familiar with, the Traineeships route.

I hope you find the information and resources useful.

Kind regards,

Mrs Rowlands

### The Careers Team



Mrs Rowlands, Careers Lead

Responsible for delivery of the school's careers programme and holds an overview of careers provision for the Gatsby Benchmarks.



Mr Nuttall, Student Development SLT

Assistant Headteacher with responsibility for student development, including Careers provision.



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To provide impartial information, advice and guidance, helping our students to make realistic choices about their education, training and work.



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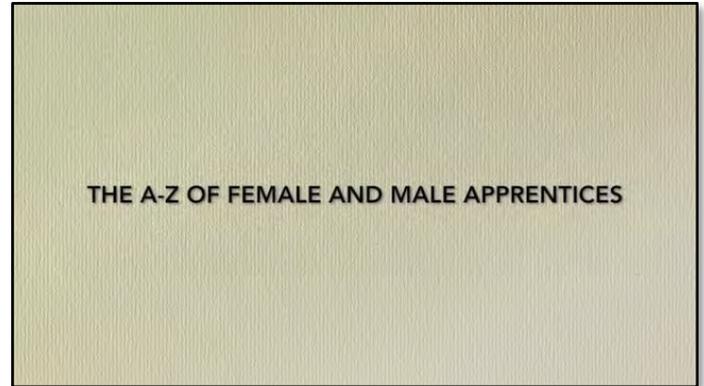
# What is an apprenticeship?



Use the link on the image below to find out what apprenticeships actually are:



Use the link below on the image to find out about 25 apprenticeships you may not know about:



Interested in finding out more about apprenticeships?

- Complete the amazing apprenticeships [student activity pack](#) on the VLE
- Test your apprenticeship knowledge - <https://amazingapprenticeships.com/quizzes/>
- Understand how apprenticeships can link to your favourite subject – think about your favourite subject and then access the [subject apprenticeship posters](#) on the VLE to see the range of apprenticeships. Carry out some independent research to find out more about those apprenticeships.
- Which employers offer apprenticeships? - visit [www.amazingapprenticeships.com/vacancies](http://www.amazingapprenticeships.com/vacancies) and browse the different companies offering apprenticeships.
  - Which companies do they recognise?
  - What can they discover about the apprenticeships that they offer?
  - Click on Time to Apply – what can they see about the vacancies currently available?
- Meet real apprentices – visit [www.amazingapprenticeships.com/apprentices](http://www.amazingapprenticeships.com/apprentices)
  - From the 20 films available, select 2 or 3 to watch that interest you.
  - Did you discover anything that surprised you?Take a look at the [A-Z female apprentices and A-Z men at work documents](#) on the VLE, providing case study examples

# Apprenticeship Events

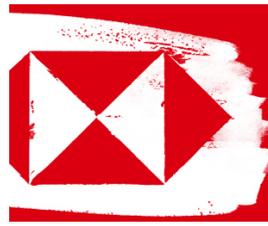
8<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> February



Young Professionals – click image to register

<b>YOUNG PROFESSIONALS</b>	<b>EY</b>	<b>IBM</b>	<b>Monday 8th February 3pm - 5pm</b>
15:00 - 15:10	15:10 - 15:20	15:20 - 15:30	<b>National Apprenticeship Week</b>
<b>bp</b>	<b>M&amp;S</b>	<b>pwc</b>	<b>12 Global Brands</b>
15:30 - 15:40	15:40 - 15:50	15:50 - 16:00	<b>Open to all Y10, Y11, Y12 &amp; Y13 Students!</b>
<b>QA</b>	<b>CIMA</b>	<b>gsk</b>	<b>Degree Apprenticeships</b>
16:00 - 16:10	16:10 - 16:20	16:20 - 16:30	<b>Work Experience</b>
<b>HSBC UK</b>	<b>vodafone</b>	<b>Capgemini</b>	<b>Insight Day Opportunities</b>
16:30 - 16:40	16:40 - 16:50	16:50 - 17:00	<b>Hear from some inspiring apprentices!</b>

Barclays: Hosted Apprenticeship Careers Event



8th February at 6pm – 7pm - HSBC & You

Uncovering the culture, benefits, mission and breadth of opportunities available at HSBC.

10th February at 6pm – 7:30pm - Do I need a degree to enhance my career?

An exploration of various career routes that are available, with an emphasis on what you need to consider when trying to choose the correct one for you.

You can register for both or either of these exclusive webinars via the following link: <https://meetandengage.com/hsbcfutures>



National Apprenticeship Week 2021 – what's happening?

Join our [Facebook Live session](#) on Monday 8 February at midday.

Our [webinar](#) on Tuesday 9 February at 1pm is a diary must too!

[Virtual National Apprenticeship Show](#) on Wednesday 10 February! Register now for your place and we'll see you there between 11am and 6pm.

**NAW2021 Webinars:**  
Hear about apprenticeships, chat to employers and pick up top tips

Apprenticeships WEBINAR LIVE  
National Apprenticeship Week  
8 - 14 FEBRUARY 2021  
SPEAK TO THE UK'S TOP PROVIDERS  
BOOK YOUR PLACE NOW



We're giving you, your students and their parents an exclusive pass to join our NAW2021 Live Events!

FEB 2021

8-12

REGISTER

Each live event includes:

- Insider information from the employers themselves, hints and tips to help with the application and interview processes
- Live Q&A - Get your questions in front of the experts
- A certificate of attendance - WOW employers



UCAS Virtual Apprenticeship Fair

On Tuesday 9th February, 10am-4pm, UCAS will be hosting a [Virtual Apprenticeships Event](#) to help students, parents and teachers to discover the world of apprenticeships. You will be able to speak with experts and access a range of interesting information.

To mark National Apprenticeship Week 2021, join us for an insight session to learn more about Apprenticeships in Barclays

The event will also be attended by AstraZeneca, Cheshire Constabulary Head-Quarters, Cheshire Fire & Rescue Services & UK Fast as well as information from Apprentice Providers including Manchester Metropolitan University, University of Chester, Simian & QA

Who should attend?

- Apprentice job-seekers and parents

Thursday 11 February 2021, 18:30-20:30 – Apprenticeship Careers Event

Register: Spaces are limited so please register your attendance as soon as possible

<https://eu.eventscloud.com/nasweek11.2.21>

# Apprenticeship Opportunities



The Amazing Apprenticeships website has a number of apprenticeship vacancies advertised and you can access them [here](#). The vacancies range from entry level (school leavers through to degree apprenticeships and include a range of companies such as; Army, AstraZeneca, BP, Sky, Royal Navy, Royal Air Force, Nestle.

Amazing apprenticeships January Parents' & Carers' Pack is now available on the Apprenticeships page of the [school website](#). Further vacancies can also be found on the government website - <https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship>

The table below includes information the school has received advertising additional apprenticeships opportunities.

Company	Type	Additional information
<a href="#">Apprenticeships @ IBM</a>	Level 3 to Level 6	Our apprenticeships range from a Level 3 Advanced Apprenticeship to Level 6 Degree Apprenticeship and each pathway gives you everything you need to start your career in the industry! Look out for our apprenticeship roles opening 8th of February 2021
<a href="#">PWC</a>	Level 3 to Level 6	Audit, Consulting, Deals, Tax and Technology opportunities
<a href="#">BT</a>	Level 3 to Level 6	Technology, Customer Service & Finance roles
<a href="#">Bank of England</a>	Level 4 to Level 6	Technology and HR to Internal Audit and Monetary Analysis
<a href="#">Jaguar Land Rover</a>	Degree	Digital and Technology Solutions Degree Apprenticeships
<a href="#">Pfiser</a>	Range	Project management, scientist, Marketing, Business Administration, Accountancy, Engineering.
<a href="#">Bentley</a>		For information, webinars and how to apply
<a href="#">ENGIE</a>		Vacancy with ENGIE in Cheshire East. Candidates will need to apply on-line
<a href="#">BAE Apprenticeships</a>		We have 4 x Engineering Maintenance vacancies this year that would appeal to both boys and girls. If anyone would like more information on the vacancies please register for our events on: <a href="https://www.baesystems.com/en/careers/careers-in-the-uk/apprenticeships/land/land-apprentice-careeropen-events">https://www.baesystems.com/en/careers/careers-in-the-uk/apprenticeships/land/land-apprentice-careeropen-events</a>
<a href="#">Daresbury Laboratory – Engineering vacancies 2021</a>		Virtual Open Evening Wednesday 10 February. Find about apprenticeship opportunities in 2021. Register here <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/daresbury-laboratory-apprenticeship-virtual-open-evening-2021-tickets-133827889821">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/daresbury-laboratory-apprenticeship-virtual-open-evening-2021-tickets-133827889821</a>
<a href="#">Astra Zeneca Apprenticeships</a>	Degree	Many Higher and Degree apprenticeship opportunities available including science, technical and business.
<a href="#">Barclays</a>		See website for information and details about our latest opportunities.

# What is a Traineeship?



A traineeship is a skills development programme that includes a work placement. It is funded by the government and is free of charge to participate in.



A traineeship can last from 6 weeks up to 1 year, though most traineeships last for less than 6 months.



They aim to help 16 to 24-year olds to increase confidence and self-esteem around employment and to provide a greater understanding of what employers are looking for. They will also help improve English, Maths or Digital skills qualifications, where required. This will all help you to secure a job in the future.



Traineeships are also available for 25-year olds with an Education, Health and Care (EHC) plan. All trainees must be eligible to work in England.



The purpose of a traineeship is to give you the opportunity to improve your skills and increase your chances of getting paid work.

## Who are traineeships for?

If you are a young person who is...

- not currently in full-time employment
- has little work experience
- are aged 16 to 24 (or 25 with a EHC plan)
- you're qualified up to Level 3 or below (Level 3 is equivalent to A Levels)
- and could be 'work ready' within 6 months ...

...then a **traineeship** could be for you!

## Frequently Asked Questions

### DON'T I HAVE TO STAY IN SCHOOL UNTIL I AM 18?

You have to stay in education or training until your 18th birthday, however, this doesn't mean you have to stay in school.

You have a choice about how you continue to participate in education or training and this includes full-time education at school or college, doing an apprenticeship or traineeship, or finding a job or volunteering whilst studying part-time.

### WHEN CAN I START A TRAINEESHIP?

Traineeships can start at any time throughout the year, not just in September like school or college.

You can therefore start applying whenever works best for you as long as you are 16 or over.

### I HAVE A PART TIME JOB - CAN I STILL DO A TRAINEESHIP?

**Yes absolutely!**

You will need to speak to your training provider about the details, but the good news is that you are permitted to work for up to 16 hours per week and still undertake a traineeship programme at the same time.

### WHAT MAKES A TRAINEESHIP DIFFERENT TO AN APPRENTICESHIP? WHICH SHOULD I DO?

The main difference is that a traineeship isn't a job and you don't get paid, but traineeships are seen as a stepping-stone to an apprenticeship.

It is a brilliant way to gain skills and experience in a real work placement and will hopefully lead you onto a paid apprenticeship where you could also gain a qualification.

## How do traineeships work?

### STEP 1

You will need to select a training provider (see the next page). This could be a local college, or an independent training provider.

### STEP 2

You will start on your traineeship programme.

Your training provider will work with you to understand the type of work experience placement that might be most suitable and enjoyable for you.

Your training provider will help to design your traineeship programme and will help you to plan how long it will last for, and what your programme will include.

### STEP 3

You could also start working towards qualifications that will support you to move on into further training or employment. This will include learning the skills required in the workplace and support in writing your CV.

### STEP 4

Depending on what has been agreed with your training provider, you may begin your learning with the training provider or your work experience placement with an employer, or start them both at the same time. This will be agreed based on your individual needs.

The learning with the training provider could be a mixture of in the classroom and possibly some online studies.

They will also help you to work towards achieving your English, maths and digital qualifications (if you need them).

Your work experience placement will be completed with an employer.

This will be at least **70 hours of meaningful work at a placement**, providing insight, experience and sector-focused skills of the workplace.

### STEP 5

At the end of the traineeship, if a role with the employer becomes available, you will be able to interview for the position.

If there is not a role available, you will participate in an exit interview and receive feedback to help you to prepare for future interviews.

## How do I find a traineeship?

There are different ways to find a traineeship.

- By asking your local college or training provider if they have opportunities
- By speaking to your school/college careers advisers or the [National Careers Service](#)
- By speaking to your Jobcentre Plus adviser if you're in receipt of benefits
- Through the government website called '[Find a traineeship](#)'