



CAREERS NEWSLETTER

This newsletter is a collation of all the opportunities we have heard about from employers and universities. Please use the links included to read more information and apply to anything you are interested in. Links are underlined.

OPPORTUNITIES

Join Pathway Group during National Apprenticeship Week 2026 to discover more about the fantastic world of apprenticeships! This FREE online careers fair will cover everything from discovering opportunities with organisations first-hand and guidance on how to apply for and make the most of an apprenticeship! With top companies and learning providers promoting their career opportunities, the event is the perfect place to get inspired and meet your next potential employer. Taking place each day from 12pm - 2pm on Mon 9th - Fri 13th February 2026.

Capgemini are running a Virtual Insight Session for Years 9+ on Tues 17th Feb from 12pm - 2pm. You will explore future pathways in technology, consulting, and digital transformation through meaningful employer encounters aligned with Gatsby Benchmarks 2, 4, and 5, where students engage with Capgemini professionals, build commercial awareness and problem-solving skills, and gain insight into career pathways, apprenticeships, and company culture.

Schroders is a world-class asset manager whose purpose is to provide excellent investment performance for their clients. They operate in over 30 locations - with over 5000 staff - across Europe, the Americas, Asia and the Middle East. By attending their work experience day on 5th March, you'll hear from finance and tech professionals on how they create the best returns on the assets they manage.

The worlds of learning, education, careers and work are full of terminology, abbreviations, phrases and words that can be difficult to decipher. In this Jargon Buster, you'll find some examples of commonly used words and phrases that you'll see on various websites, with a clear explanation of what they mean.

Get Career Confident has brought together a list of virtual work experience opportunities available to young people. We really recommend you take advantage of some of the fantastic virtual opportunities available and you never know one may lead to a face to face experience and even a job in the future! We recommend you first read this so you can be fully prepared for any virtual work experience you access.

JOB OF THE WEEK



Architect

An architect is a trained, licensed professional who plans, designs, and oversees the construction of buildings and structures, blending creativity with technical, scientific, and structural knowledge. They translate client requirements into functional, safe, and aesthetic spaces.

LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION FACT

Awareness of ChatGPT and its capabilities among students has grown to 96% over the past year, with many using it to assist with coursework and increasingly, job applications and assessments.

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The Academy of Real Assets' Annual Creative Competition happens each academic year. It's designed to inspire students across the UK to think creatively about real estate, real assets, the built environment, and the future of our communities. This year, they're asking you to respond to the prompt: "My Favourite Building..." Whether it's a famous landmark, a holiday memory, or a hidden gem in your neighbourhood, tell us why it's special to you. The format is up to you; you can write an essay or poem of up to 800 words, film a one-minute video, design a piece of artwork or capture an image. Winning entries will be featured in a beautifully designed hardback book, distributed to schools, employers, and universities across the UK. [Submit your entry here](#) by 27th March 2026.



If you're interested in the field of architecture but not sure where to start, explore the different pathways to qualifying as an architect and the role RIBA plays in architectural education. You can [read more here](#) and [watch a video on this topic here](#).



Go Construct provides resources for anyone looking for a career in the construction and built environment sector. We showcase the many rewarding opportunities available and help people from all backgrounds to enter an exciting and growing industry which has a huge impact on the UK's housing, industry and infrastructure. With so many roles available in construction it can be hard to know where to start, why not [use this webpage](#) to learn more about various career options.



Have you ever wondered how speaking different languages may help you in your career? [Check out this video series](#) which shows different people in different job roles explaining how their language skills have been useful in their role.



Work experience is an important feature of any strong university application. But did you know that for certain degree courses, it's an essential entry requirement? Learn which courses require you to have [completed work experience here](#).



You can [find online work experience here](#), some opportunities are "virtual to reality" meaning that they may offer you the opportunity for in person work experience.

EMPLOYER SPOTLIGHT

"Foster + Partners welcomes designers, innovators, makers and pioneering trailblazers to join the practice. We want to work with the best talent from across the industry and develop our people to grow within our practice. With people from diverse backgrounds, we nurture innovation and flexibility to deliver extraordinary projects." You can [read more about careers at Foster + Partners here](#).

UNI SPOTLIGHT

"We are globally celebrated for our research, development and innovation, providing students with exceptional teaching for over 400 years. We encourage our people to push the frontiers of knowledge today, helps ensure we make a positive sustainable mark on the world tomorrow." You can [read more about the University of Edinburgh here](#).



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NEXT WEEK... NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK

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Tutor Time Takeover
w/c 08/02/2026

Monday
Watch this 5-minute film and discover the benefits of apprenticeships. The video answers some key questions about apprenticeships, covers what you can expect and the opportunities available.

Tuesday
How much do you know about apprenticeships? Test your knowledge and find out key facts about apprenticeship with our quiz!

Wednesday
Explore the collection of short Apprentice Story Films that showcase the breadth and variety of apprenticeships, including Engineering, Manufacturing, Broadcasting, Zookeeping and more.

Thursday
Watch the video to find out about T Levels from students, teachers, careers advisers and apprentices, along with a university representative. This 6-minute film explains what T Levels are, how they're different from existing post-GCSE choices and who they will suit.

Friday
Use the government website to find a local apprenticeship. These are real vacancies that are currently available in the local area.

FIND OUT MORE: AMAZINGAPPRENTICESHIPS.COM/NAW

Next week, the Careers team will be taking over tutor time every day to celebrate National Apprenticeship Week with students. There will be different activities each day which will help students to learn about apprenticeships and other technical qualifications.

LOCAL APPRENTICESHIPS SPOTLIGHT

"Finance Apprentice, Salisbury City Council, Salisbury.

We are looking to appoint a Finance Assistant to support our busy team, contributing to Salisbury City Council's mission. The AAT apprenticeship position will provide a practical hands-on learning environment alongside structured training. Ideal opportunity for someone who wants to start a finance career, without previous financial qualifications and experience. We will support you to study for the Level 2 Association of Accounting Technicians (AAT) qualification within the Government-approved national apprenticeship programme. You will earn £12.21 per hour."

To find more exciting apprenticeship opportunities in the local area, click [here](#).

AMAZING APPRENTICESHIPS PARENT & CARER WEBINAR

NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK 2026

9 FEBRUARY 2026

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UNDERSTANDING APPRENTICESHIPS

SPECIAL WEBINAR FOR PARENTS & CARERS

Join Amazing Apprenticeships during National Apprenticeship Week 2026 on Monday 9th February at 6.30pm for this special parent and carer webinar 'Understanding Apprenticeships'.

Apprenticeships offer exciting and practical routes into rewarding careers. This early evening session is designed to help parents and carers feel confident supporting the young people in their lives as they explore these options.

You can register for the webinar [here](#).



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POST-16 PROVIDER OPEN EVENTS & APPLICATION DEADLINES

		OPEN EVENTS INFORMATION	APPLICATION DEADLINES (for September 2026 entry)
S6C		All open events are now finished. Contact them directly for a tour.	Applications open: 1st October 2025 Applications close: 31st January 2026
WILTSHIRE COLLEGE		Thursday 5th February 2026, 5pm Thursday 30th April 2026, 5pm	Apply before February half term but be aware that some courses get filled up so the earlier the better.
SOUTH WILTS		Taster Day for Applicants: Wednesday 24th June 2026	Application deadline Thursday 29 th January 2026
BROCKENHURST		All open events are now finished. Contact them directly for a tour.	Application deadline Friday 6th February 2026.
PETER SYMONDS		All open events are now finished. Contact them directly for a tour.	Applications open: 15th September 2025 Applications close: 8th December 2025
BURGATE		All open events are now finished. Contact them directly for a tour. Taster Day: Wednesday 12th November 2025, 8:30am – 3pm <i>You must register for a place via the website before 2nd November 2025</i>	2026 applications are now open, no advertised deadline yet.
BISHOPS		Friday 13 th February 2026	2026 applications are now open. Deadline Wednesday 25th February 2026 at 4pm.
ANDOVER COLLEGE		Thursday 12th February 2026 Wednesday 6th May 2026 Saturday 13th June 2026	No official deadline but be aware that some courses get filled up so the earlier the better.
SPARSHOLT		Saturday 7th February 2026 Saturday 7th March 2026 Wednesday 29th April 2026 Thursday 11th June 2026	(Open on the 5th October). They take applications right up until the start of the course, but only if places are available (so apply much earlier if you can).
RINGWOOD		All open events are now finished. Contact them directly for a tour.	Application deadline Thursday 11th December 2025
BARTON PEVERIL		All open events are now finished. Contact them directly for a tour.	Application deadline 13 th February 2026.

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