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National Careers Week



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THE ABSOLUTELY MASSIVE #NCW2024 ISSUE IS HERE!

Hello – it's finally here, **National Careers Week 2024** and this final edition of the Download before the Big Week will show you exactly what we've lined up for you, where you can find it, the superb sponsor and partner content and how to make this the most impactful and exciting National Careers Week ever!



ANNOUNCING THE #NCW2024 HEADLINE SPONSORS

As ever, we are **DELIGHTED** to be supported by some incredible organisations for National Careers Week – and **#NCW2024** is no exception. Our **#NCW2024** Daily Sponsors are as follows

MONDAY



TUESDAY



WEDNESDAY



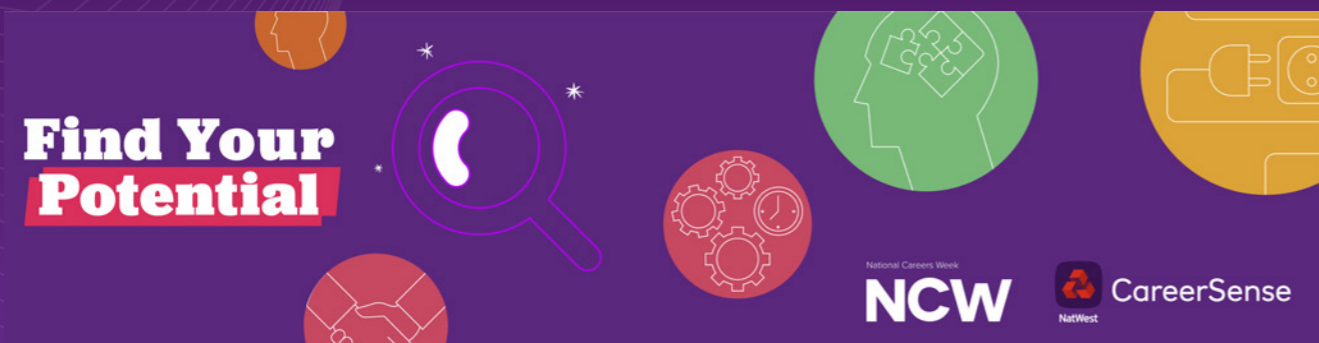
THURSDAY



FRIDAY



MONDAY 4TH MARCH: HEADLINE / DAY SPONSOR NATWEST GROUP

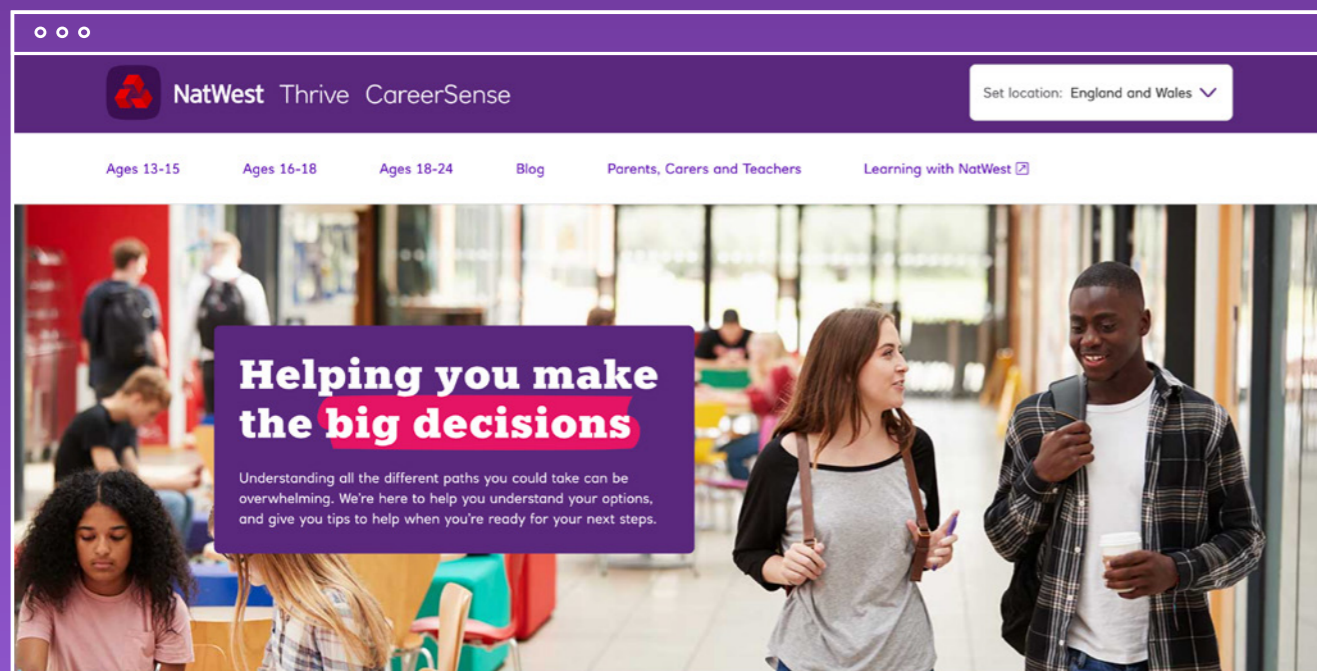


Our headline sponsor NatWest has some wonderful tools for teachers and young people to help them explore bright futures in all career paths, understand money, consider entrepreneurship and help with empowering mindsets for success.

Please see below a couple of great case studies about young people who've completed the programmes and in the centre pages you'll see more great tools from NatWest and their partner charity Tech She Can.

[Career Sense Website](#) ↑

[Natwest + Tech She Can](#) ↑



DREAM BIGGER



This National Careers Week take advantage of all the **FREE** CareerSense resources on offer! With a variety of formats available, the pre-recorded workshops are a great opportunity to go at your own pace and deliver workshops in the most convenient time for you. You can also tailor the material to the needs of your class.

Inspire students, raise their confidence, and broaden their horizons with the CareerSense Dream Bigger programme.

CareerSense Dream Bigger programme will show young people the impact entrepreneurial skills that will have on their future by looking at important topics such as purpose and mindset, aimed at developing their own entrepreneurial skills in preparation for the future world of work.

If you're a teacher, register your school for a CareerSense Dream Bigger workshop.



[Dream Bigger Workshop Registration](#) ↑

NATWEST THRIVE CASE STUDY

TIGER'S SUCCESS STORY

NATWEST THRIVE - TIGER'S STORY

NatWest Group created NatWest Thrive in partnership with footballer and campaigner Marcus Rashford MBE and the National Youth Agency, to help young people to understand their relationship with money and develop a positive money mindset. Through a series of face-to-face sessions, youth workers explore activities with their young people, with the goal of improving young people's money management skills, confidence, wellbeing and resilience.

Tiger joined the NatWest Thrive programme as one of the young participants on the pilot scheme. As part of the YLG, Tiger was invited to NatWest head office with his youth worker Felicha, to be involved in a Careers Day – an opportunity for young people to learn skills in interview techniques, explore career paths and have the chance to talk to a host of NatWest staff from different departments and backgrounds, and hear about their career journeys.

Using the skills and confidence gained throughout the programme, Tiger was inspired to apply for an apprenticeship position as a financial advisor with NatWest. He was accepted and has since started his placement. **Tiger said:**

NatWest Thrive helped me realise there's a next step to my life I needed to think about – it gave me a reality check. I've always respected the method of apprenticeships - where you can get paid and learn at the same time. So, when I attended the NatWest office for the Careers Day it further reinforced my attraction to apprenticeships.

I firmly believe that the skills I have acquired through my experience with NatWest Thrive will serve as invaluable assets throughout my entire career, particularly as I embark on my journey in the finance sector. These skills will play a pivotal role in shaping my professional growth and success.

As an apprentice, it's good learning things that you can see going into practice straight away.

Tiger McLean-Parkinson,
Young Participant,
Natwest Thrive



TUESDAY 5TH MARCH: DAY SPONSOR

NHS CAREERS



MEET NHS STAFF AT YOUR SCHOOL!

This National Careers Week, your students will have the opportunity to meet NHS staff in a classroom environment and ask them questions about their jobs.

The virtual Step into the NHS Day will be live in schools on Tuesday 5 March. We have a range of exciting NHS ambassadors lined up in our drop-in sessions to inspire your students.

[Step into the NHS Day](#) ↑

As well as raising their career aspirations, the day will also inspire students' enthusiasm to create their Step into the NHS competition entries and be in with the chance of winning great prizes, like seeing their entry displayed in public. Register here and bring NHS careers to life!

[NHS Competition Entries](#) ↑

[NHS Competition Registration](#) ↑

Step into the NHS offers free careers resources that are aligned with the KS3 curriculum and Gatsby benchmarks and are great way to weave career-based learning into lessons such as PSHE. Search 'Step into the NHS' or visit the Step into the NHS website

[Step into the NHS Website](#) ↑

Make sure you follow [@healthcareers](#) on Instagram to see dozens of insights into roles and careers in the NHS and watch live and pre-recorded webinar discussions on all aspects of NHS careers and how to get into them.

WEDNESDAY 6TH MARCH: DAY SPONSOR YOUNG ENTERPRISE



AAT AND YE GETTING READY FOR NCW!

Young Enterprise, the national financial and enterprise education charity, and The Association of Accounting Technicians (AAT), the UK's leading vocational qualification and professional membership body for accountants are looking forward to National Careers Week in early March!

They have teamed up to create a Virtual Career Room which will feature young people's personal journeys into careers in finance, hoping to raise awareness of the breadth of careers in accounting, the future skills needed to access them, and the practical next steps for school leavers who are interested.



For instance, Nicola Webb shares her story about how participating in Young Enterprise's Company Programme during sixth form in Oldham led her to a work experience with KPMG and ultimately to embark on an apprenticeship in finance. Nicola completed her first three years, earning university-equivalent qualifications, and is currently an Accounting Technician working towards becoming fully chartered.

AAT's qualifications focus on helping learners to become real-world ready – meaning they can meet the demands of modern employers and be an asset to the workplace, or indeed learn the practical skills needed to start up a successful business enterprise.

Every year one in 10 people is put off starting a business due to tax and accounting worries. This shows the importance of entrepreneurs learning accounting skills to build the confidence and knowledge required to make forward strides.

Nicola Webb started her journey when she was part of the YE Company Programme during her time at Oldham College in 2016.

For more opportunities for young people to explore careers in finance, be sure to visit NCW 2024 Virtual Careers Fair:

[YE's Company Programme](#) 

[NCW VCF Website](#) 

THURSDAY 7TH MARCH: DAY SPONSOR WORLDSKILLSUK



INVESTING IN YOUR STUDENTS' FUTURES HAS NEVER BEEN EASIER.

Whether you have 20 minutes during a tutor session, an hour or whole day, invest in your students' skills and career potential by highlighting the prestige of technical education with WorldSkills UK.

WorldSkills UK is known amongst 90% of the FE sector, for our world class training and competition programmes to name a few. But did you also know we work with schools and educators to inspire young people from all backgrounds to choose high quality apprenticeships and technical education as prestigious career routes?

We're on a mission to increase awareness amongst young people about technical pathways post-16 and have a suit of 'off the shelf' free digital resources for you to use. We also attend careers events across the UK, bringing skills and technical careers to life with our unique Skills Champions and leading industry partners.

NATIONAL CAREERS WEEK – ONLINE INTERACTIVE EVENTS:

WorldSkills UK, official partners of National Careers Week are working with the leading organisation Education and Employers to deliver two interactive webinars during National Careers Week 2024. As part of their careers advocacy work and mission to empower young people from all backgrounds, WorldSkills UK is highlighting women in creative and STEM careers with Resource Productions and the BBC, coinciding with International Women's Day on 8 March.

On Tuesday 5 March join at 11am with students to reframe what a 'creative career' is, hearing from a panel of creative apprentices and professionals from Resource Productions spanning publishing, production, business and operations. On Thursday 7 March at 11am, tune in to our inspiring all female STEM panel with apprentices and professionals from the BBC in broadcast engineering, technical operations and software development roles.

Students will gain insight in to creative and STEM careers, learn about different apprenticeships and technical education across all levels all while challenging gender stereotypes. Each session is 60 minutes long and aimed at Key Stages 3 and 4.

Visit the website to sign up your class today.

[WordSkillsUK Sign Up](#)

DIGITAL RESOURCES:

On the WorldSkills UK Learning Lab, a newly developed e-learning platform hosting a range of educator resources, you'll find our TVET careers resources. Supporting you to meet Gatsby Benchmarks 2 (career and labour market information), 5 (encounters with employers and employees) and 7 (further and higher education). These resources take 20-35 minutes to use, are interactive with minimal prep needed and include:

- Sessions covering skills, strengths and career aspirations
- Sessions covering apprenticeship and technical education, including higher apprenticeship, T-Level and college information
- Sessions covering specific roles or sectors such as Engineering and Technology, Digital, Creative and Health and Lifestyle, signposting to live technical pathways available to students at all levels

To find out more and register for free, visit our website Spotlight on Careers video resources:

[WordSkillsUK Free Registration](#)

SPOTLIGHT ON CAREERS VIDEO RESOURCES:

Over the years we have worked with leading industry experts, employers and incredible young role models to deliver video talks in STEM and future skill careers, such as digital and green jobs. Our free On Demand platform is a resource bank of ready to use career video resources, championing apprenticeships and technical education. Visit our website to find to log in and browse our library.



[WordSkillsUK Video Resources](#)

[Flyer Link - Book Now](#)

CYBER HACKATHON

WorldSkills UK is holding a three-day hacking event on 4-6 March 2024. This event will not only raise cybersecurity awareness among young people and educators. Participants will collaborate in teams of up to two to solve various challenges. This event is open to all skill levels and will be a fantastic opportunity to enjoy yourself, boost your CV, and, above all, learn something new. Come and explore the wonderful world of cyber security. The event is entirely free.

Who can attend?

This event is for individuals aged 16+ and educators in the field of Cyber Security.



What to expect from the Cyber Hackathon.

Pre-Hackathon: Online registration and team formation. Introductory resources on Cyber Security tools and best practices

During Hackathon: Live hacking challenges: Passive and Active information gathering, Web Application Attack, Forensic analysis and Advanced Persistent Threat Team-based challenges, simulating real-world cybersecurity scenarios Support from experienced Cyber Security professionals during the event Live leadership board.

Post-Hackathon: Leadership board with individual and team achievement analysis Educational resources to learners and educators for continuous development Feedback collection and debriefing Edit Register to take part on the WorldSkills UK Learning Lab

[The Learning Lab](#)

[Flyer Link - Book Now](#)

Please select which day you would like to participate in the Cyber Hackathon using the booking link below - you will only need to book one of the hackathon days. Once you register you will receive an email confirmation asking you to submit your participating student which will allow us to create their competitor accounts and allocate them to a group.

Would you like to get in touch with us?

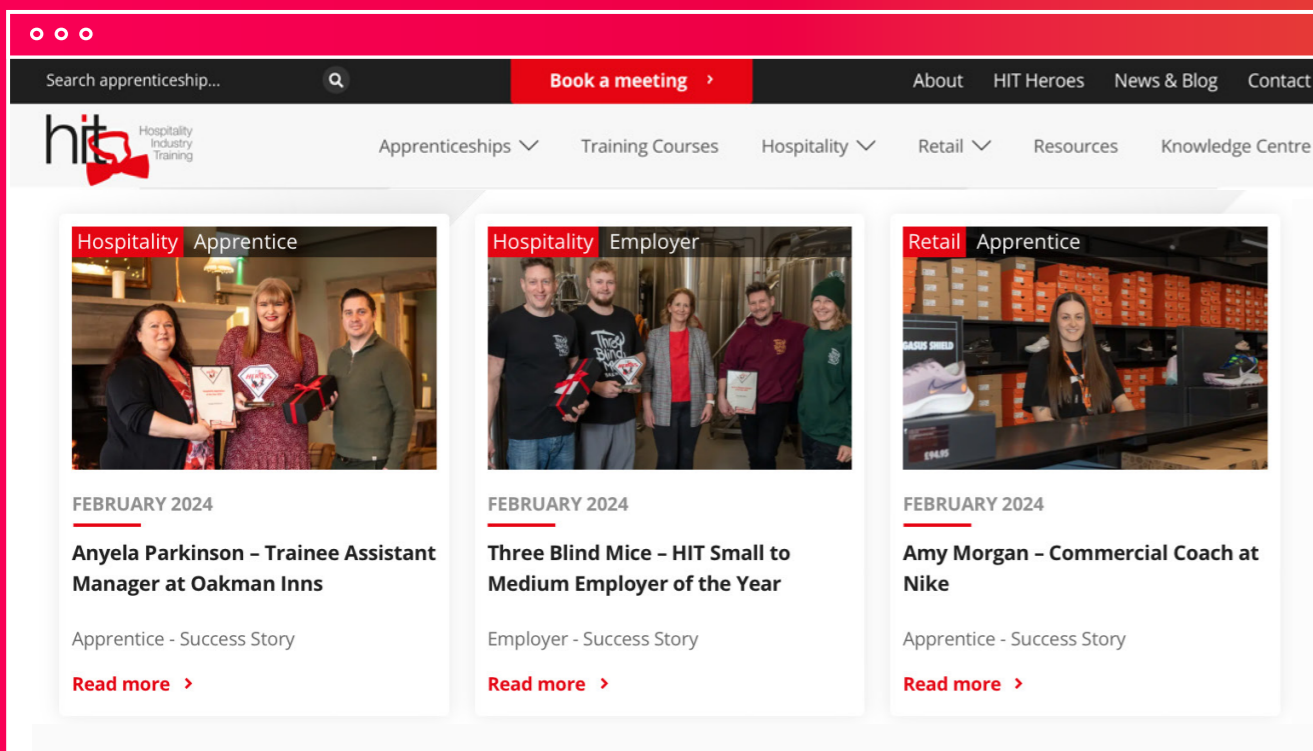
GetInTouch@worldskillsuk.org

FRIDAY 8TH MARCH: DAY SPONSOR UK HOSPITALITY



Hospitality Industry Training ensures that employers in the food and drink, hotel catering and retail in the UK have the staff they need to fulfil the needs of their businesses. A vast range of apprenticeships and training courses for all levels of staff are available through the HIT Training website and delivered across the country.

Hospitality is one of the industries with the highest levels of employment across the country and the following case studies show the challenge and excitement of employment in this sector.



[HIT Training Website](#) ↑

HIT TRAINING CASE STUDIES OUR SUCCESS STORIES



[Joe's HIT Training Casestudy](#) ↑

[Luisa's HIT Training Casestudy](#) ↑

[Peter's HIT Training Casestudy](#) ↑

CASE STUDY: JOE CULLIN FROM BREWHOUSE & KITCHEN.

Here is what Joe had to say about his brewer apprenticeship:

My learning journey with HIT Training has built my confidence, knowledge, and appreciation of my craft in a stress-free, supportive environment. All whilst putting me in touch with some of the industry's leading authorities in their field, giving me the perfect head start to a, hopefully, successful career in brewing.



Joe Cullin,
Apprentice,
HIT Training

CASE STUDY: LUISA ELLIS FROM THE NEW HALL HOTEL.



Here is what Louisa had to say about her apprenticeship:

My apprenticeship gave me a better understanding of management in the kitchen as well as some key practical skills which are required to be a good chef. There's no doubt that HIT Training helped me navigate the kitchen from a more organised perspective and set me up for success



Louisa Ellis,
Apprentice,
HIT Training

CASE STUDY: PETER SZUCS FROM LILLIAN FAITHFUL HOMES

Here is what Peter had to say about his apprenticeship:

The time spent completing my apprenticeship has been one of the most inspiring periods of my life. Not only was I able to find my true passion in cooking, but I've learnt how to continue to be inspired in my job which I believe is the most important skill to have as a chef



Peter Szucs,
Apprentice,
HIT Training

[More HIT Training Success Stories](#)

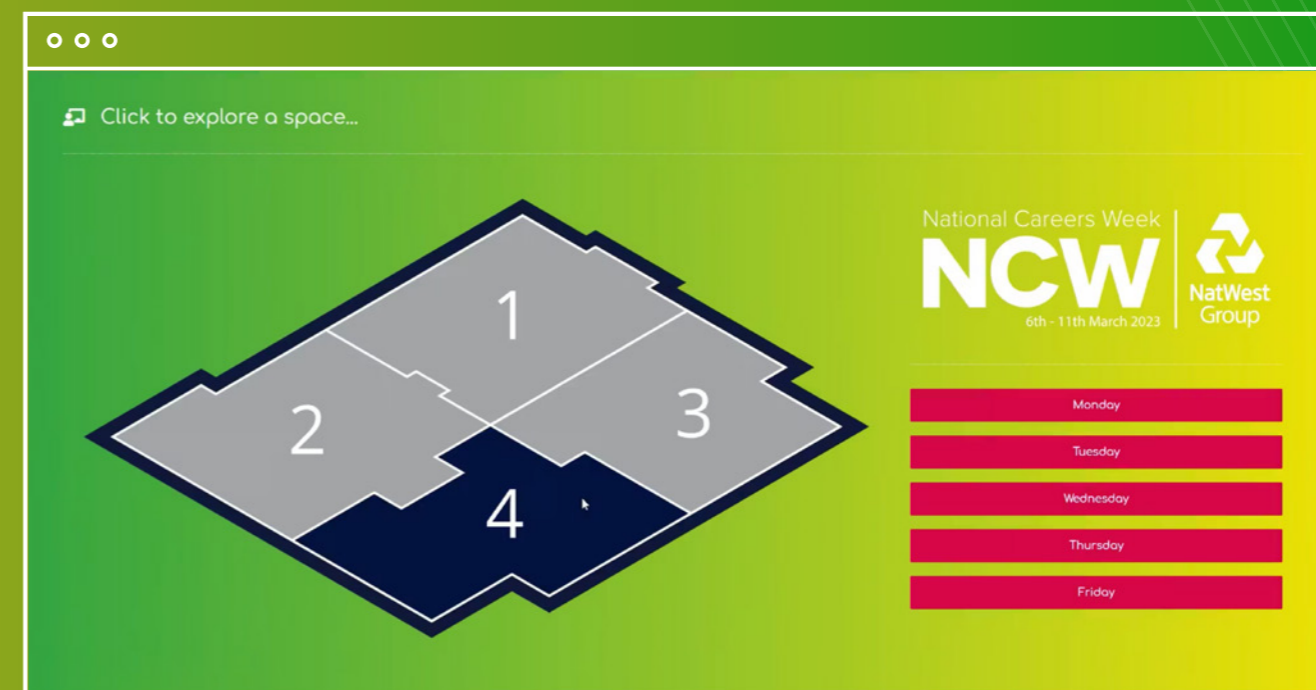
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VIRTUAL CAREERS FAIR

As with previous National Careers Weeks, we will again be providing you with a superb Virtual Careers Fair – or VCF – it will showcase our sponsors and partners content, there will be a number of floors and lobbies for you to explore and videos, resources, biographies, career journeys, case studies and treasure hunts to share with your students.

As with previous years we will be building it until the weekend before #NCW2024 to ensure we have as much up-to-date content in there as we can possibly squeeze in!

Click below to go to the VCF!



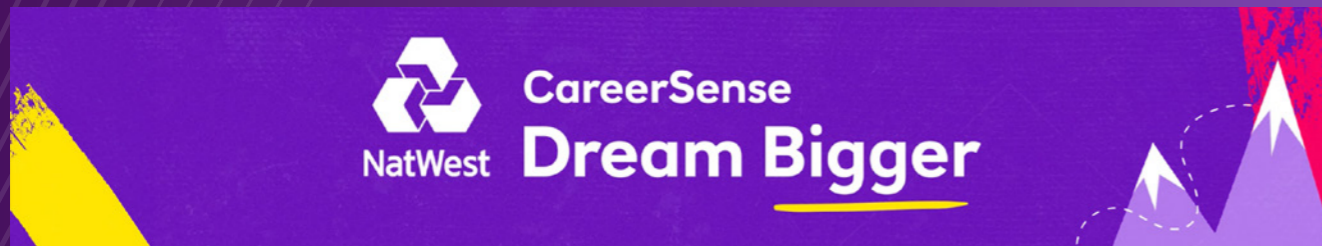
The Virtual Careers Fair will go live on day 1 of Careers Week. All you need to do is share the website address with students.

- ✓ No registration required
- ✓ No data is collected from students
- ✓ Tons of opportunities to explore

ncw2024.co.uk 4th - 9th March 2024

[NCW VCF Website](#)

NATWEST GROUP BUILD CAREER CONFIDENCE AND INSPIRE STUDENTS WITH CAREERSENSE



CareerSense is NatWest Group's Employability Education Programme aimed at improving employability prospects for the future workforce. It's completely free and designed to support teachers with careers education. The programme aims to inspire future generations to develop their skills, experience, and career opportunities.

Below are the different CareerSense activities, with each offering flexible delivery options to work around the timetable of the school.

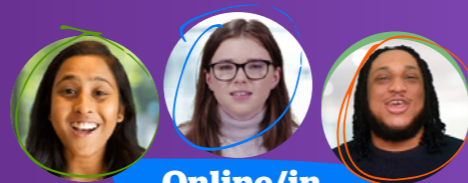
1. THE EXPLORATION WORKSHOP

focuses on building employability skills and career confidence for students in Year 9 and up.

Gatsby Benchmarks:
1, 2, 4, & 5

PSHE Programme of Study:
KS3, KS4

The easy-to-use 1-hour-long lesson features a NatWest employee Ambassador who will join in to help students complete a series of tasks using real-life examples from the world of work.



Online/in-person support



Engaging videos

[More Information and Registration](#) ↑

2. THE FIND YOUR POTENTIAL LESSON

supports 13-18 year-olds to discover their strengths and skills for the future world of work.

The curriculum-linked resources help students develop self-awareness and confidently start to think about career next steps.



There are a variety of resources on offer that support teachers to deliver the lesson.

[More Information and Registration](#) ↑

3. CAREERSENSE DREAM BIGGER

is focused on developing transferable entrepreneurial skills in 16–18-year-olds, introducing entrepreneurship as a very real career pathway for young people.

Gatsby Benchmarks:
1, 2 & 5

PSHE Programme of Study:
KS4, KS5

Business Programme:
KS4, KS5



Lesson guides

[More Information and Registration](#) ↑



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NATWEST GROUP WELCOME TO THE START OF GREAT

HELLO! AT NATWEST GROUP WE CHAMPION POTENTIAL. AS A GRADUATE HERE. WE'LL HELP YOU GROW A CAREER THAT MAKES A DIFFERENCE.



We're a values-driven bank and that means we're inspired by a deeper purpose to help people, families and business of all kind succeed and thrive.

Our customers and communities are made up of people from hugely diverse backgrounds - and so is our business. We bring together people from varied cultures who give us broader perspectives, greater creativity, and richer, deeper levels of empathy and inspiration. That's why we need you to help move our business forward.

And because you bring so much to us, we'll do everything we can to give back to you - supporting you with a rewarding work-life balance like you've never experienced before. Better still, we'll invest in your future every bit as much as you do; setting you up to succeed with exceptional opportunities for learning, well-being, and long-term career growth.

It all starts when you explore our insight, intern, and graduate programmes to find your ideal role - whatever your degree or year of study.

OPEN THE DOOR TO YOUR POTENTIAL

[Jobs at Natwest Group](#) ↑

NATWEST GROUP PARTNERS: TECH SHE CAN

'NATWEST GROUP PARTNER SCHEME - TECH SHE CAN, A BRILLIANT ORGANISATION WHICH PROVIDES FREE AND DOWNLOADABLE LEARNING MATERIALS TO INSPIRE YOUNG PEOPLE TO PURSUE CAREERS IN TECHNOLOGY'

Tech for Transport

National Careers Week
Tuesday 5 March
Secondary: 11:00am

British Science Week
Tuesday 12 March
Primary: 9:30am

In collaboration with
ROYAL Charitable AIR FORCE Trust Inspire

REGISTER NOW

Tech for Sport

National Careers Week
Thursday 7 March
Secondary: 2:00pm

British Science Week
Thursday 14 March
Primary: 9:30am

In collaboration with
eduthing
IT Services for Education

Celebrate National Careers Week and British Science Week with free resources created by the charity Tech She Can to explore technology and inspire pupils.

In two new interactive lessons, pupils will be taken on a journey to:

- Explore transport of the future and delve into the world of wearable tech in sport!
- Lessons for Key Stage 2/ Primary 4-7 (Age 7-11) and Key Stage 3/ S1-3 (Age 11-14)
- Registration is now open

The lessons, hosted on Microsoft Teams, include paper-based tasks and partner discussions, so are best suited to joining from a classroom, rather than during an assembly.

[Tech She Can Resources](#) ↑

[Tech She Can Registration](#) ↑

[Tech We Can Flyer](#) ↑



CHARITY TECH SHE CAN IS CALLING FOR CAREERS EDUCATION TO START IN PRIMARY SCHOOL



The Future of Education:
Gender Stereotypes Threatening the Digital Revolution

templeton // **/tech she can;** THE FUTURE OF STEM EDUCATION [Read the Report](#)

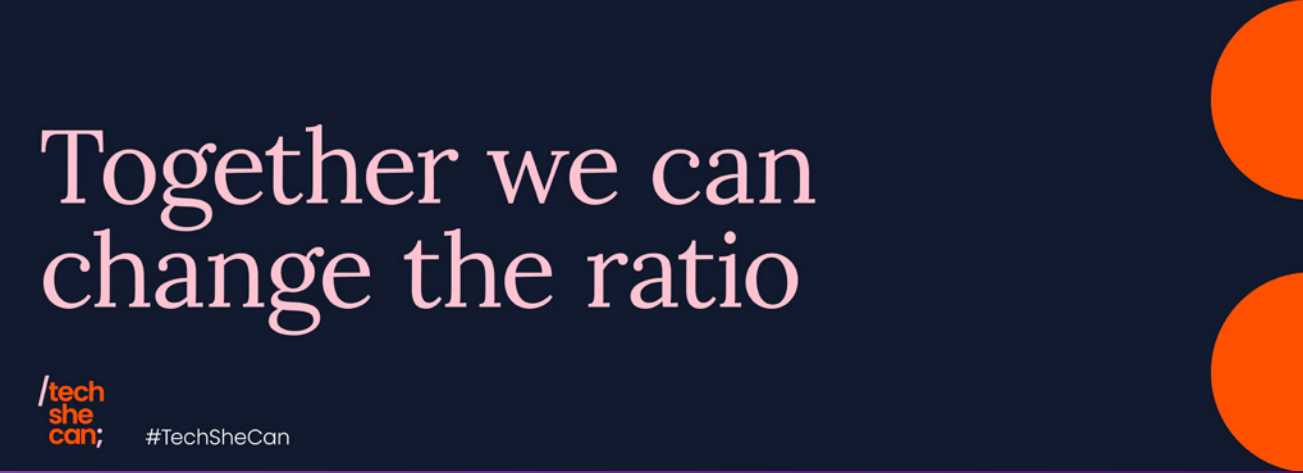
STEM stereotypes start early and are putting girls off tech careers. 71% of teachers believe that gender stereotypes around STEM careers start before the age of 11. Teachers say there are too few inclusive and diverse role models in career materials, with only half of respondents saying the careers materials they have access to are inclusive and diverse.

The STEM aspiration gap - gender and social mobility have a multiplying effect, with girls' who experience disadvantages more likely to perceive that a tech career is not for them. Despite 25% of girls enjoying STEM subjects more than boys, girls in state school are 69% less likely to aspire to STEM careers than boys.

Teachers need better career resources - the majority of primary school teachers believe that careers education is important, but only a small minority can access sufficient careers experiences for their students. 75% of primary teachers believe that careers education is important in primary schools, but only 15% of primary teachers felt that the career experiences they had access to were sufficient for their students.

[Tech She Can Report](#) ↑

NATWEST GROUP PARTNERS SCHEME: TECH SHE CAN



Together we can change the ratio

/tech she can; #TechSheCan

Tech She Can: At **Tech She Can**, the tech careers charity with **+250 member organisations** spanning +40 sectors, we're on a mission to increase the number of women and girls pursuing tech careers. We work at the very beginning, nurturing and inspiring the future talent pipeline, investing in the long-term with our free schools' programme and at the later stages too, plugging the immediate skills gap.

Tech We Can: Our **Tech We Can** resources have inspired tens of thousands of children to consider a future career in technology. We're particularly focused on reaching underrepresented groups, and children and young people in social mobility 'cold spots' across the UK.

Through our live assemblies and learning materials, children explore the latest technologies, find out about the breadth of careers in tech and discover how these jobs link to their own passions and interests.

We offer:

- Downloadable **Lesson packs** for teachers or parents to use at home or in the classroom, with no registration or log-in;
- Cross-curricular **On-demand lessons** for age +8yrs;
- Award-winning **Animated lessons** for age +5yrs;
- Live Assemblies
- **Tech We Can Champions**, our national volunteer scheme, placing real-life tech role models in classrooms across the UK.

[Tech She Can Website](#) ↑



ENGINEERINGUK

BRING ENGINEERING TO LIFE WITH NEON!



Inspire your students with STEM careers, grow their confidence and explore the excitement of engineering and technology.

Find inspiring experiences that are just right for your class. Filter by age group, time required and cost to discover the perfect activity for your students.

Watch exciting case studies of real engineers from Dyson, RNLI and many more as they share what it's like working in engineering and technology.

Download helpful postcards, posters and booklets to explore engineering careers, routes into the sector and support your students next steps into STEM. Register for free today.

[Neon Free Resources](#) 

BRAND NEW STEM RESOURCE FOR SCHOOLS

To celebrate National Careers Week, Tomorrow's Engineers Week is launching a brand-new resource for schools, to **inspire young people with engineering and technology careers**. The curriculum-linked lesson plan includes tips from real engineers, as well as ideas to help students take action and find out what they could be doing in the future to help solve some of the world's biggest issues.



Five new case studies introduce engineers with **interesting and unusual careers**. Each one shows how engineers **make real, positive differences in the world** and shares top tips for finding your own career inspiration.

We have also compiled an activity sheet for students with a clear, seven-step approach to help them build their growth mindset, get involved, explore their options and grab opportunities that build their skills, experience and qualifications.

Register for Tomorrow's Engineers Week 2024

[TE Week Free Resources](#) 

[Register for Tomorrow's Engineers Week 2024](#) 



BBC BITESIZE CAREERS

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BITESIZE

Visit BBC Bitesize Careers every weekday during National Careers week for new, free videos, classroom resources and online activities. For careers resources and teacher guides to use in subject lessons or form time visit the BBC Bitesize website.

[BBC Bitesize Careers Website](#) ↑



Short videos, quizzes, video podcasts and classroom activities to inspire young people aged 11 to 16 to explore their future careers and discover a pathway that suits them.

Celebrity Job Swap Challenge. From the NHS frontline to the radio studio, watch Dr Ranj Singh swap jobs with Radio 1 DJ Charlie Tee – can they smash it in a totally different role? Explore transferable skills and motivations to help inspire future jobs.

The Bitesize Careers Podcast – join Radio 1 presenter Katie Thistleton for this new video podcast. Get your classes to watch and play along in form time or as a lesson starter. There are activities for students to join in with as we chat to big name guests and careers experts about how to figure out your future career. These can be watched in class or at home via the link below



[Tips and Inspiration](#) ↑



From hobby to career – hear real-life stories of three young people who turned their passions and interests into jobs. **Teacher and careers leader guide** with ideas and pre-planned activities for using the content in schools. Short classroom activities that can be adapted into an entire lesson or developed into a longer activity. All you need is the internet and access to a screen. To access these resources and much more, head to the BBC Bitesize Careers website from Monday 4 March

[BBC Bitesize + NCW2024](#) ↑

NCW MEET THE AMBASSADOR

I am dedicated & committed to making a difference in the lives of excluded students facing educational barriers. With a focus on those who have limited aspirations, I work hard to provide them with opportunities to explore post-16 education and various career pathways.

My career is driven by the belief that every individual deserves a chance to pursue their dreams, regardless of their past experiences. Working closely with excluded students, I aim to install hope and ambition, guiding them towards a brighter future.

Through personalised support and guidance, I help students overcome their challenges, gain a sense of purpose and ambition using a combination of mentorship, academic support, and exposure to various career options, ensuring that each student gains the confidence and skills needed to thrive. I am dedicated to breaking down barriers and creating pathways for these students to succeed in their future chosen Career Paths.

This year for NCW I have a Nurse from DRI joining us for the week, we will be delivering activities over all our 3 sites from KS1- KS4.

The focus will be in Job sectors within the NHS, Virtual tours of the local hospital using the Panjango Careers platform.

We are exploring the future of the NHS and A.I KS3-4 will be doing research on different job sectors where A.I is becoming popular. KS1-KS2 will be doing activities on the Project I have developed called Can a Robot do my job. Exploring the job sectors that Robots are used in. We also have speakers in from Hospitality and Retail to look at the many job pathways in these sectors.



Maxine Hughes,
Career Lead,
Rotherham Aspire



WELCOME OUR NEW PARTNER: UKTIN THE UK TELECOMS INNOVATION NETWORK



FIND OUT ABOUT AN EXCITING CAREER IN CONNECTIVITY!

[UKTIN What YOU Can Do](#) 

[UKTIN What You Can Change](#) 

[UKTIN Career Paths](#) 

[UKTIN Apprenticeships](#) 

[Visit UKTIN at the NCW Virtual Careers Fair](#) 

A CAREER IN CONNECTIVITY CAN TAKE YOU ANYWHERE YOU WANT TO GO...



The telecoms industry is a thrilling and dynamic sector that fuels global connectivity and revolutionises the way we communicate. It's a fast-paced world of constant innovation and ground breaking technologies.....come and help us build the future, by starting a career in the connectivity sector



Vicky Messer,
VP of Product Management,
Picocom

Powering the future - careers shaping our hyperconnected world

The telecoms sector is not always a first choice for young people - it conjures up images of working out in the cold, installing cables, or trying to fathom hundreds of wires in a roadside cabinet. Of course, there are some roles that require people to be out and about addressing issues and fixing lines, but there's so much more to Telecoms, or as we tend to call it now, 'Connectivity'.

The connectivity sector is a hidden gem when it comes to careers choices, offering some of the most exciting and varied career opportunities and helping to shape the future. Hot topics in the sector include AI, cyber and engineering, and roles span some of the UK's best known brand names including BT, Three and Vodafone, as well as cutting edge start ups who offer some totally unique opportunities.

From developing AI programs for healthcare to delivering real time immersive experiences, and even to self driving cars, connectivity is not just about putting cables in the ground, the sector is all about using connectivity to change our everyday lives for the better. It's an exciting time to be part of building the backbone of our digital society and creating the future of the UK.

At UKTIN, the UK's Telecoms Innovation Network, we are passionate about attracting talent to the sector, and encourage anyone interested in a career in connectivity, whether you are in education or about to leave education to search online search online for careers in telecoms to find your next big move, or take part in our virtual careers fair at NCW2024.

[NCW VCF Website](#) 



NATIONAL OPEN COLLEGE NETWORK NOCN BRIDGES THE GAP!



**Bridging the Gap:
Strengthening Maths and
English Skills in the UK**



NOCN BRIDGES THE GAP- BY SUPPORTING ENGLISH AND MATHS SUCCESS FOR ALL!

In the ever-changing landscape of education, two subjects remain fundamental for personal and professional success: maths and English. No matter what route an individual decides to take in life, numerical and literacy-related challenges will be faced in both a personal and professional capacity on a regular basis.

Despite being highly valuable skills, the problem of inadequate numeracy and literacy skills in the UK remains. The Learning and Work Institute reported that in England, 9 million adults possess low literacy or numeracy levels, and there has been a significant 60% decline in the number of adults completing English and maths studies since 2012.

Our partners NOCN offer a full suite of high-quality Functional Skills qualifications from Entry Level 1 to Level 2, designed to help learners of all ages develop essential maths and English skills in order to equip them with the practical skills and knowledge required to learn, work and live successfully.

Find out more:

[NOCN Functional Skills](#)



WWF WORLD WILDLIFE FUND



DURING NATIONAL CAREERS WEEK, WWF-UK IS HOSTING THE SUSTAINABLE FUTURES SHOWCASE.

A series of live Q&As with some of the biggest names in industries across the UK. We're inviting young people to discover how sustainability can play a role in all types of careers – even ones they might not expect!



Our panellists include:

- England and Tottenham Hotspur footballer Amy Turner;
- Sustainability Director at Depop Justine Porterie; and
- Executive Chef of Ottolenghi restaurants Neil Campbell.

Students will have the chance to hear what actions our guests are taking to be more sustainable in their role and pose the questions that matter to them.

Secure a **FREE** spot by signing up to one or **ALL** of the talks.

[Sustainable Showcase Sign Up](#)

Following the webinar, students can enter our competition and be in with a chance of winning an Insight Day at WWF-UK HQ in Woking (all expenses paid) along with bespoke coaching, as they consider their next career steps.



UK FLOUR MILLERS



MYRIAD FLOUR MILLING OPPORTUNITIES!

National Careers Week is a great opportunity to learn about the many types of jobs in the flour milling industry in the United Kingdom (UK). Often overlooked but always present, flour milling is an essential sector that nourishes the nation and provides not just jobs, but careers.

A wealth of opportunities	Varied expertise, shared purpose	Nurturing future talent
<p>From flour miller to marketeer, haulier to HR (human relations) manager, engineer to IT (information technology) support, if you can think of a career path, it's likely within the industry. Students – future flour milling employees – can leverage their unique talents to deliver quality products and services to families and businesses around the UK while having a global impact.</p>	<p>Students can put their passion into practice by optimising milling processes, forging strategic partnerships, conducting cutting-edge research, or orchestrating efficient supply chain operations, all to nourish the nation and become food heroes. With a diverse range of opportunities, it's a great industry to kick off students' careers.</p>	<p>Pizzas, pastas, sandwiches, donuts, cakes, and pies – who wouldn't want to be involved with them? You can help inspire a generation to join a necessary industry that will also nurture their talents. There are many opportunities in UK flour mills, and UK Flour Millers hosts many training opportunities, enabling mills to invest in their employees to keep talent in the industry.</p>
		

[UK Flour Millers Website](#) ↑

[Training Opportunities](#) ↑

NCW WE WANT YOUR STORIES!

As you know by now, NCW is all about you and your students.

We find the partners, we engage their services and support, we consider how they can help you, we create the resources, we design the graphics, we build the VCF and encourage you and your young people to throw themselves into the week and beyond...and we **LOVE** that.

BUT – we want to know what you and your students get out of **#NCW2024**. We'll be doing a wrap-up of stories and a social media round up and while this is great as a yardstick of our engagement, we don't get to feel the impact and the learning and excitement from **YOUR** point of view.

So let's change that, we want to hear from you, your students, your visitors and anyone else involved in **#NCW2024** at your school or college – there are a number of ways to do this which you can share on your blogs or social media (using the official **#NCW2024** hashtag of course) and sending to our download magazine editor Bernie.

- Get students to write a case study.
- Do a photo diary to share (people, places, decorations, visitors, learning).
- Do a short video (get permissions from the people featured).
- Create an Instagram reel and tag us.
- Interview your visitors.
- Take us on a video tour of all your activities

Here's the link to submit your stories / content to our editor, Bernie:
Andrew.Bernard@NCWCIC.co.uk

[Contact Bernie](#) ↑



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