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**TOGETHER FOR
#GCW2023
6TH – 11TH
NOVEMBER**



Welcome back to Autumn term. If your summer was anything like ours, balancing rest with ideas and inspiration was quite a challenge but we hope you managed to have a great time and look after your wellbeing.

We are fully back into the swing of things here at NCW Towers and have some exciting stuff going on this term – Green Careers Week is back for its second year and we can't wait to share with you what's going to be going on for your students and how our partners are getting involved with brilliant resources and programmes to bring Green Careers to life.

We received a huge number of applications to be an NCW Ambassador and that's covered in this magazine as well as some other excellent announcements and partner content.

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#NCW2023 IMPACT REPORT

If you're wondering about the impact NCW has each year, please take a look at our NCW2023 IMPACT REPORT.

To download your own copy of the #NCW2023 Highlights report, please go to the NCW website here.

#NCW2023 Impact Report:



6TH TO 11TH NOVEMBER 2023 GREEN CAREERS WEEK

After the incredible results from last year's debut Green Careers Week (shared via Download magazine Issue 9), we are delighted to be back with a bigger, better and more exciting offer for your #GCW2023 so we encourage you to start planning NOW!

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NEW PARTNER ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR #GCW2023

The partners we have lined up for you are all passionate about supporting young people, developing future-focused solutions for work and the planet and want to share their enthusiasm and passion for the future with your students.



NatWest Group – our National Careers Week partners for nearly a decade, NatWest Group are committed to making an impact in reducing their demand on the world's resources whilst increasing the professionalism and opportunities within the financial sector worldwide.



Young Enterprise – For sixty years, Young Enterprise (YE) has worked in partnership with young people, teachers, parents and businesses to increase entrepreneurial skills, business knowledge and learning around employment and self-employment, they're another natural partner for GCW and NCW going forward.



Sharon Davies,
Chief Executive of
Young Enterprise

We're excited to be partnering with National Careers Week, who share our passion for inspiring and equipping young people with the confidence and skills they need to realise their full potential in the rapidly changing world of work. We are particularly proud to be supporting young people to access more opportunities to build an enterprising mindset, a valuable asset whether they're starting their own business, showcasing adaptability, problem-solving skills or their resilience as an employee.

With so many young people also keen to use their career to create positive change, we are also pleased to be supporting Green Careers Week, to help highlight the many exciting pathways into a rewarding career that helps protect the planet."



NHS Careers – there are 360+ careers in the NHS, all of which are changing to meet the developing needs of patients and the environment.



National Open College Network – The NOCN has been creating opportunities through learning and skills development for over 30 years as an educational charity whose core aims are to help learners reach their potential and organisations thrive. In terms of alignment to the work of NCW, WOW!

NOCN want to build awareness and promote the positive value of education, apprenticeships and skills training to employers, learners and parents.



WorldSkills UK – are an independent charity partnership working with employers, education and governments to raise standards in technical education and apprenticeships. They are actively working to encourage young people into careers using green-technology.

"We need to make it easier to be green by steering young people towards careers in areas like clean tech and decarbonisation. Our recent Spotlight event on green jobs brought together leading employers to inspire young people, explaining the vocational pathways that lead to green careers"



Neil Bentley-Gockmann,
CEO WorldSkills UK.

To stay up to speed with all our information, sponsors and resources please head to the Green Careers Week website, the Twitter/X feed at **@Green__Careers** or **@CareersWeek** and sign up to our weekly newsletter.

Green Careers Week website

HEADLINE PARTNER NATWEST GROUP



Our headline partner NatWest has put together this flyer with easy access links to their flagship CareerSense programme with three specific offers for your students of different ages and ambitions.

NatWest CareerSense Flyer



NatWest Group Early Careers



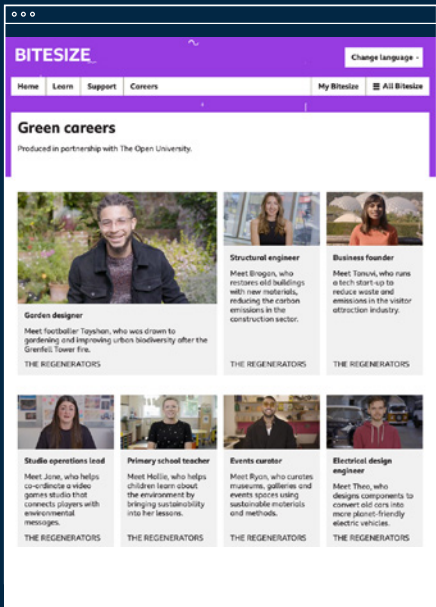
BBC BITESIZE CAREERS GOES GREENER!



Our long term partners, BBC Bitesize have created a series of insights in to green careers with the Open University – featuring people developing their careers in a green way – either a job focused on developing a green technology or using environmental sensitivity and awareness to engineer some more greenness into an industry or sector.

Some superb videos to help your students get to grips with current and future careers and the steps they need to take to get there!

BBC Bitesize Green Careers Videos



NCW CHAMPIONS – CASE STUDY SUTHERLAND HOUSE

A special school for autistic young people, last year Sutherland House School appointed its first National Careers Week (NCW) Champions.

Adapting the Program

The NCW Champion program was adapted to the needs of our students. Two students were asked to become NCW Champions. The careers leader timetabled sessions working with the NCW Champions on a one-to-one basis. The students were working towards their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh award and these sessions fulfilled the volunteering section of the award. The careers leader developed individualised NCW Champion projects which allowed the students to demonstrate their strengths and develop new skills. In order to maintain interest in the projects, student champions were encouraged to incorporate their own interests into their projects and the careers leader guided them to imagine bigger in order to demonstrate that they could achieve more than they had previously imagined.



National Careers Week 2023

One of our champions Tom, was tasked with organising activities for #NCW2023 in school. Student voice is at the heart of what we do and this is crucial as many students come to us after having had negative experiences in mainstream education which can lead to low self esteem and disengagement. We build our students' confidence and encourage them to take pride in their school community.

Our NCW champion looked at several NCW videos on the website and chose the spoken word poem Believe by Kamal Ellis-Hyman to share with the school. I shared his choice with our English teachers, and they decided to study the poem with their classes during National Careers Week.

Believe by Kamal Ellis-Hyman



We decided to use the Career Pathway Door Signs from the NCW resources and create a presentation out of photos of staff holding their signs. Tom distributed the door signs to staff around school with instructions, and they were given a week to complete them. Tom used a school camera to take photos of everyone holding their signs and this became the

basis for two presentations about career journeys and the skills we learn through education and work.



The tasks allowed Tom to practice talking to members of staff and explaining the work that he was doing. This was a boost to Tom's self-confidence. Teachers shared the presentations with their students in class in the week leading up to and during National Careers Week. Tom's role in the creation of the presentation was highlighted

People Who Help Us Theme Day

On 11th May Sutherland House School held a People Who Help Us theme day involving the whole school. The day was conceived and planned by our NCW Champion Levi. Levi had been asked to identify professionals that he would like to meet or jobs that he would like to learn more about. He talked about Police Officers and Firefighters. This lead us to think about a day that had the theme, People Who Help Us. Levi took on the role of project manager for the day, making a list of jobs that would need to be completed and planning time frames. Levi had meetings with SLT and dictated the invitation emails that were sent to various public services, the contact details of which we needed to research.



All students in school were prepared for the day in class either by engaging in careers lessons focused on the professions that they would be meeting on the day, or by engaging in activities that had been prepared to familiarize the students with the people, uniforms and equipment that they would be seeing on the day.

Nottinghamshire Fire Service ran workshops on fire prevention, and the local fire crew brought a fire engine. Police Officers from Nottinghamshire Police Service spoke to students about the service and brought uniform for the students to try on. From the



NHS we had a psychiatrist and a mental health nurse. Students could ask questions about their work and careers. From the care sector we had a care worker who works in a children's care home.

Levi received praise on the day for the work that he had put into the day in order to make it a success. Staff praised Levi for ensuring that the timetabling and rooming worked for everyone and employers praised Levi for his enthusiasm which had encouraged their involvement.

The Benefits

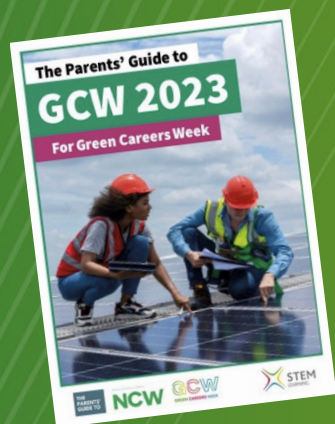
All schools can see benefits from appointing student careers champions, but there are particular benefits for special schools. The NCW Champion program benefitted the champions by; giving them experience of work, boosting their skill levels, their self-confidence, and by encouraging them to become advocates for themselves and others. The school has benefitted from NCW Champions program by; ensuring that the careers program is student centred, by having a more engaged student body, by generating more enthusiasm amongst the staff body for events that have been organised by our champions, and by promoting engagement from employers, who are often more positive when approached by students rather than staff .

With thanks to Tom for his photography and for collecting so many career journeys from staff at Sutherland House School and Farheen Khan our NCW Management Board member for compiling this case study.

NCW Champions Resources 



THE PARENTS' GUIDE TO GREEN CAREERS



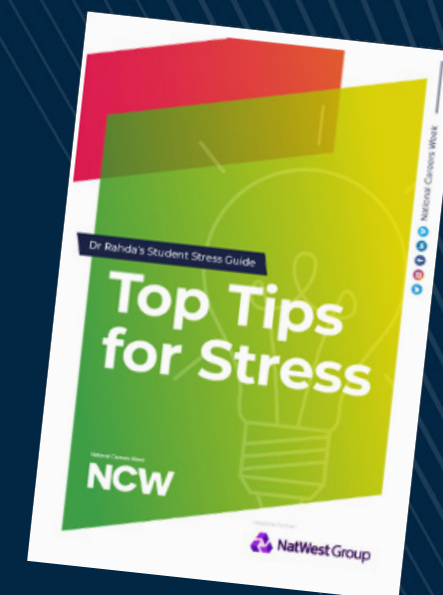
We've teamed-up with The Parents' guide to create The Parents' Guide to Green Careers Week just for you to be able to send out to your parent newsletter and via the PTA, Governors and your whole school community. We really do want parents to feel connected to the future careers that their children will be considering and really believe that this guide will stand them in good stead as they look ahead.

[The Parents' Guide to Green Careers Week](#)

STRESSBUSTING!

We have been lucky enough to work with some incredible people who all support our mission to help young people build better, happier futures through careers education. But sometimes, there are underpinning factors that combine to make life challenging for us all.

We worked with Dr Radha Modgil to create this little guide to help young people manage their stress – whether it's exams, career plans, friendship issues or other worries, this guide will help your young people to cope with whatever comes their way.



[Dr Radha's Top Tips For Stress](#)

UPDATE NEW AMBASSADOR PROGRAMME

In the last edition of Download, we announced that applications were open for the role of NCW Ambassador – linking your daily activities to the needs of schools and young people in support of NCW's aim: Empowering Positive Change Through Careers Education.

We are delighted to say that we were deluged with applicants during the summer period and have now appointed 12 Official NCW Regional Ambassadors!

We're assembling their impressive stash of NCW Ambassador merchandise and will be in a position to announce the appointed Ambassadors in the next edition of Download.



NCW X HIGH PERFORMANCE



Another collaboration we're immensely proud of is our work with the High Performance Podcast team of Jake Humphries and Prof Damien Hughes – a series of video interviews selected to have a high impact on your students to help them to bring their best selves to school and succeed in their futures.

[High Performance Podcast](#)

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