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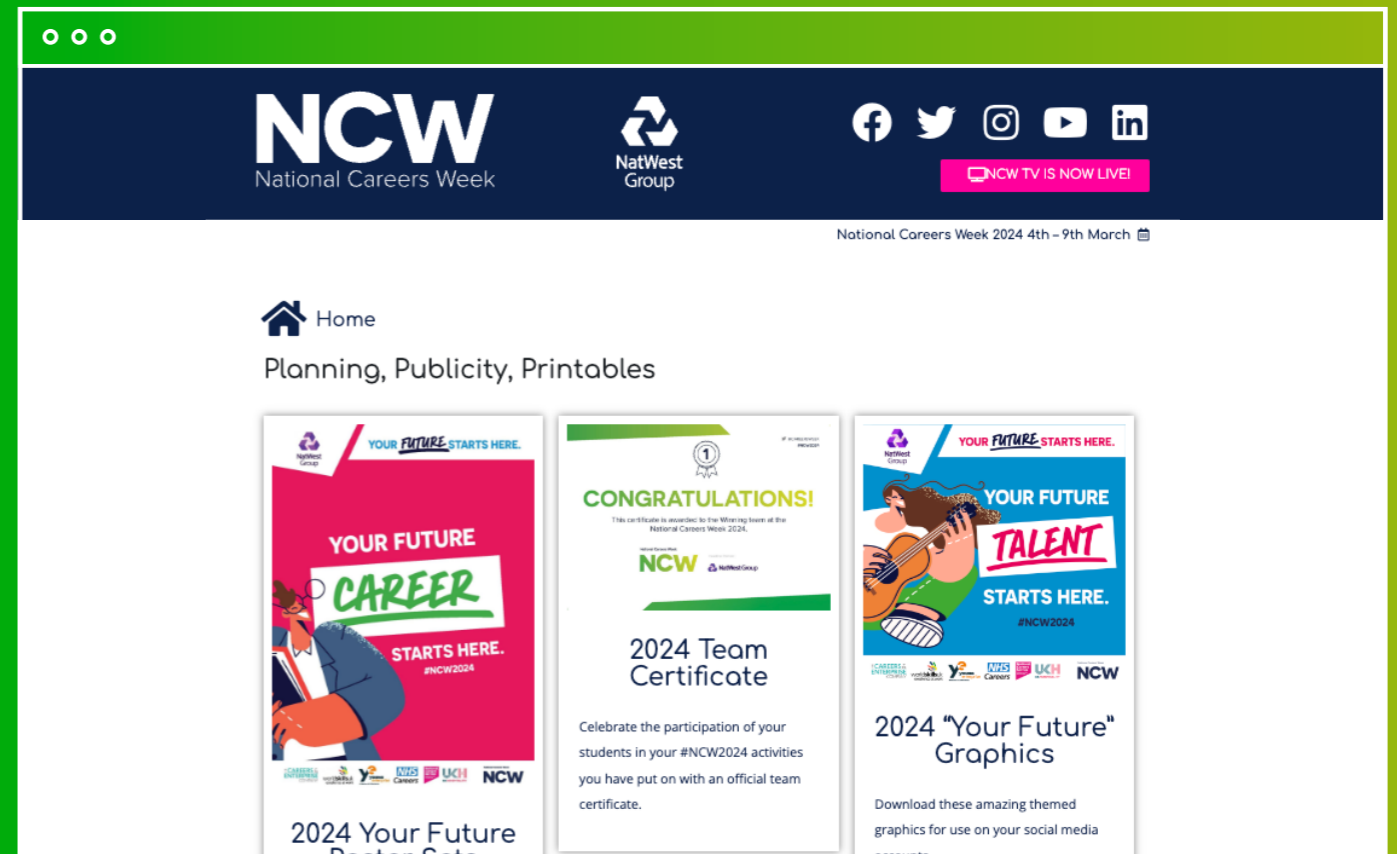


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DIGITAL GRAPHICS AND ANIMATIONS AVAILABLE NOW!

Get to the resources download site below and download your graphics to add to your in-school screens, your computer home-pages, your email newsletters and school-based social media – from 'save the date' countdown animations, to social media banners and shareable graphics it's all there and it's all FREE.

Have a look around.



[#NCW2024 Resources](#) ↑

HOW NATWEST CAREERSENSE IS EQUIPPING YOUNG PEOPLE TO THRIVE.

With National Career's week soon approaching it's increasingly important for young people to be thinking about their future and getting support along their journey. NatWest CareerSense inspires students into exploring their skills and their potential through interactive lessons in the classroom, some of which can be supported by NatWest employees. Through short interactive tasks, the class learn about critical skills or discover entrepreneurship in these 1-hour lessons.

NatWest volunteers can help deliver the workshops and share their experience and expertise, enabling young people to have a better understand of the reality of roles many of which they may not have realised existed and the skills needed to thrive in the workplace.

There are 3 key lessons schools can select from, all of which are aligned to Gatsby and Curriculum for Excellence Benchmarks:

- The **Skills Exploration** workshop brings critical skills, which are transferable across industries, to life. It's suitable for all secondary school ages.

Hear what students and teachers had to say:

Students:

- "It really engaged me and helped boost my confidence".
- "Hosts were charismatic and energetic".
- "It was fun, and it let us do some problem solving of our own"

Teacher:

- "It is important for students to learn about the different skills and capabilities that employers are looking for; I think the workshop covered that really well."

- The **Dream Bigger** workshop inspires students and raises their confidence though teaching of entrepreneurial skills, which can be transferred into the future world of work whether they want to start their own business or now. It's typically suited for 16–18-year-olds.

Hear what students and teachers had to say:

Students:

- "Fantastic day, great meeting likeminded young people, brilliant teachers who helped and guided us, centralised ideas and skills required for a future as an entrepreneur".
- "It helped me in understanding how being an entrepreneur can fit into my future career"

Teacher:

- "[CareerSense] Dream Bigger is an excellent opportunity to raise aspirations in your students. It helps to empower students to see what they are capable of in the future, while lending practical advice which can impact their mindset both in and out of school. Our students really enjoyed the workshop and said they felt inspired. And, best of all, it was completely free!"

- In the Find Your Potential Lesson students can complete a short questionnaire which then provides them with a tailored skills and strengths profile. These can be useful when making subject choices, applications for further education or jobs or generally thinking about what direction they want to take, based on their skills and interests.

We've created content in flexible formats that allows you to deliver short sessions as part of a wider lesson, set as homework or maybe as part of a careers fair or assembly. This content is not supported by a NatWest volunteer.

Watch this video to learn more



Find out or register your school for a free workshop on:

[Free CareerSense Workshops](#) ↑

YOUNG ENTERPRISE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE A NEW PARTNERSHIP



YOUNG ENTERPRISE AND THE ASSOCIATION OF ACCOUNTING TECHNICIANS PARTNERSHIP FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.

We are pleased to announce a new partnership between Young Enterprise (YE), the national financial and enterprise education charity, and the Association of Accounting Technicians (AAT), the UK's leading qualification and professional membership body, for equipping learners with modern skills to make them real-world ready.

During National Careers Week, AAT and YE will team up to raise young people's awareness of the breadth of careers in finance, the future skills needed to access them, and the practical next steps for school leavers who are interested.

Together, we will highlight both in-school future skills development opportunities as well as AAT's financial apprenticeships which focus on providing learners with the modern skillsets in demand from employers. Inspiring young YE and AAT alumni will share their personal journeys into varied finance careers and tips for this year's school leavers, with first-hand experience of the importance of financial skills to underpin and enable successful entrepreneurship.

Russell Winnard, Young Enterprise's COO, commented:

"Many Young Enterprise alumni go on to forge really exciting financial careers. AAT often plays an important role in that journey, either through qualifications or apprenticeships. Partnering with AAT for NCW will help demystify pathways into financial careers and help young people who may not have previously considered this as an option."



Russell Winnard,
Chief Operating Officer (COO),
Young Enterprise

Claire Bennison, Executive Director of Customer, Partnerships and Innovation at AAT said:

"It's great to be able to collaborate with organisations like YE who share our passion for equipping the next generation with the skills they need to meet their career ambitions. Having strong financial literacy is key for any career but it is especially vital to success as an entrepreneur, being able to navigate the financial side of business and adapt spending and income during an ever-evolving economy. NCW will be a great time to showcase the breadth of opportunities available, and the benefits of a practical accounting education for anyone with an ambition to make an impact in the business world."

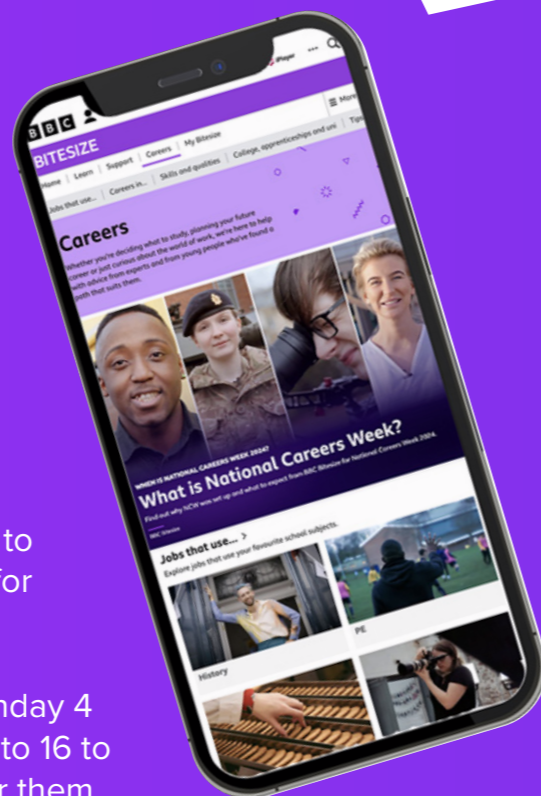


Claire Bennison,
Executive Director of Customer,
Partnerships and Innovation at AAT

Find more about AAT's apprenticeship opportunities

[AAT's apprenticeship opportunities](#)

BBC BITESIZE CAREERS EXCITING NEW RESOURCES COMING SOON!



BBC Bitesize Careers will launch new resources for secondary schools to coincide with National Careers Week

BBC Bitesize Careers invites students and teachers to join them every day during National Careers Week for new videos, quizzes, and classroom activities.

A range of free resources will be available from Monday 4 March to inspire and support young people aged 11 to 16 to explore future careers and find the right pathway for them. Hear real-life stories, get top tips from careers experts, and take part in fun interactive quizzes such as 'Which career could be perfect for you?'

[BBC Bitesize Quiz](#) ↑

If you're a teacher or careers leader, there will be a new teacher guide with activity ideas for how you could use the content in your lessons and form time during the week. Visit the BBC Bitesize Careers website for updates in the run up to National Career Week.

[BBC Bitesize Careers Website](#) ↑

Bitesize Careers provides resources for young people, whether they are deciding what to study, planning future careers or just curious about the world of work. We're here to help with advice from experts and from young people who've found a path that suits them.

Get started now: There's already lots of useful job profile videos and content to explore on Bitesize Careers, including 'Jobs that use...' exploring jobs by school subjects, and 'Careers in...' showcasing a range of diverse jobs organised by job sector.

[Jobs that use...](#) ↑

[Careers in...](#) ↑

WORLDSKILLS UK WORLDSKILLS UK CYBER HACKATHON



Some recent photos from the WorldSkillsUK National Finals.

WORLDSKILLS UK PLANS TO HOLD A THREE-DAY HACKING EVENT FROM 4 - 7 MARCH 2024.

This event intends to establish a stimulating environment for cybersecurity learning and competition, complimented by an advanced leader board system. It will not only raise cybersecurity awareness among young people and educators, but it will also provide useful insights on the learning process and skill development in this crucial subject.

There are 3 different days to book your learners onto and they will compete in 6 hours of activity. This is a team-based challenge where you will be able to compete for the best in the United Kingdom. To book on the event please click here:

[Event Booking](#) ↑

Pre-Competition Activity

Registration for the National Competitions opens on 26th Feb 2024. To prepare your learners we have a range of resources on the Learning Lab where you can benchmark to see how your learners compare to the national average and help develop their skills for the National Competition development Programme 2024.

There are pressure tests and previous years national test projects for you to utilise in your training environment to help prepare for the upcoming competition cycle.

Register for the Learning Lab to gain access to these resources.

[The Learning Lab](#) ↑



FOR AROUND THE PAST 18 MONTHS, WE HAVE SUPPORTED MULIHI BUMALI TO DELIVER NATIONAL CAREERS WEEK, UGANDA.

In his own words, please see Mulihi's report into the recent activities of NCW Uganda and the plans and hopes for the future.

National Careers Week (NCW) is redefining access to equitable and quality careers education services in Uganda & beyond.

National careers week Uganda is part of the NCW family based in UK and its

presence in Uganda has redefined access to careers education in Uganda and beyond.

Established in mid-2022 NCW Uganda has fully participated in NCW & GCW of 2022 as well as 2023 and preparing for NCW2024. Through participation in these activities stakeholders in Uganda have warmly opened doors to us and a health working foundation has been built.

The NCW experience has been shared in number of schools, with parents, government and industry. We had a virtual engagement between pupils of Kawungeera Primary school in Kassanda district and Southmoor Academy in Sunderland, St Charles Lwanga Kinoni Primary school and Alcester Academy where students discussed about their future career desires/aspirations.

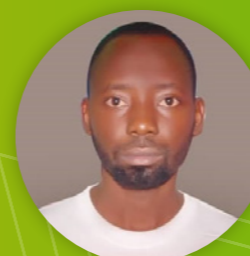
The low-cost modus operandi has testified that it's not large budgets needed to extend career education services to those who need most but commitment and dedication to careers education as a tool of positive change empowerment.

The involvement of career practitioners, students, community and industry has been great implying that everyone's role is key in careers services delivery. We also had peer assessment of writing entries about green career from Uganda assessed by students in Southmoor Academy and The Forest Academy in the UK.

The action-oriented approach of NCW continues to drive our activities here in Uganda and during Green Careers week 2023 pupils of St. Lawrence Junior school in kalimba Kassanda district prepared chips on gas stove as we discussed clean cooking solutions in Uganda.

NCW activities has enabled us to offer long-life careers education services because career development is a process and not one-off event hence guiding some prospective students enroll in TVETs.

As we gear up National Careers Week 2024, the past NCW experience has truly redefined delivery of careers education services in Uganda and across Africa as many from the continent are prospective members. Therefore, NCW activities need more support to upscale across the country and continent because the potential to empower positive change is real.



Mulihi Bumali,
Manager,
NCW Uganda

WORLDSKILLSUK: FREE INTERACTIVE NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK WEBINARS



Free interactive National Apprenticeship Week webinars with apprentices and employers for schools – WorldSkills UK and partners with Education and Employers

This National Apprenticeship Week on Tuesday 6 and Thursday 8 February, highlight the prestige and prospects of apprenticeships and Skills for Life with KS3, KS4 and KS5 students with our free interactive webinars. Inspire your students to choose apprenticeships and learn more about the Engineering and Technology and Digital sectors, as we meet Amazon's DevOps Engineer Level 4 and Software Development Engineer Degree apprentices, Junior Design and Management Consultant Level 4 apprentices from IBM and apprentices from Kaplan. In these 60-minute sessions, bitesize knowledge is coupled with quizzes and regular Q&A with apprentices, employers and students, supporting you to meet Gatsby Benchmarks and engage students in high quality apprenticeship careers information in the Engineering and Technology and Digital sectors.

In our last campaign, where we supported Green Careers Week, overall feedback showed:

- 79% of educators agreed that their students gained a deeper understanding of technical education and career options, including apprenticeships.
- 69% of educators agreed that after hearing from volunteers, their students would consider a future career in the green and sustainability sector.

Visit our website to register your class today! National Apprenticeship Week - WorldSkills UK. Plenty of activities and content will be available after National Apprenticeship Week too!



[WordSkills UK Website](#) ↑

#NCW2024 RESOURCES, BOOKLETS AND GUIDES AVAILABLE NOW!

ALL OF OUR RESOURCES AND CONTENT ARE IN ONE PLACE FOR YOUR EASE OF ACCESS!

We constantly update this page with the resources, graphics, toolkits and promo materials you need...click on the screenshots to quickly access all the content you need for #NCW2024!

[NCW RESOURCES](#) ↑

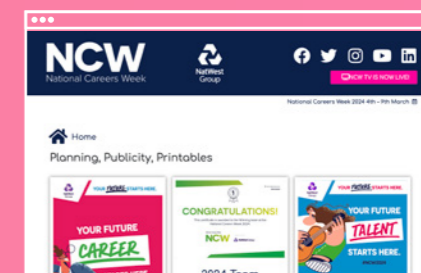


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BOOKLETS & GUIDES

(incl Parent's Guides and past Download issues):

[NCW Booklets & Guides](#) ↑



NCW MEET THE AMBASSADOR



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Why do I do what I do?

My passion and values shine brightly to make a difference every day through empowering self-belief and inspiring young people to reach their full potential and be the very best they can be.

Giving young people the hope, confidence, courage and knowledge to make informed decisions on their future. Self-Recognizing personal skills and qualities that will be transferable in the modern world.

Creating positive change and raising social mobility through inspiring experiential experiences and education, that motivates and creates positive and possible pathways for all. Ensuring every young person from all backgrounds gains their first step to success, making a positive contribution to a brighter community and future workforce!

What NCW means to me

NCW is every week to me! creating a consistent golden thread of inspiring information to inform young people from classroom to career! Increasing awareness of national and local labour information that ignites future thinking and aspirations, creating economic growth and a safe prosperous and thriving community.



James Shaw,
Careers Advisor,
Aston Academy South Yorkshire



WWF SUSTAINABLE FUTURES PROGRAMME



ACCESS WWF'S FREE CAREERS RESOURCES!

The Sustainable Futures programme will equip your students with the skills and knowledge they need to thrive in a future green economy, no matter what career path they choose. The programme combines a short course on the fundamentals of sustainability and its real-world applications, with access to business role model talks and experiences of the workplace. Business volunteers shed light on the wide spectrum of sustainable jobs and the range of pathways to get there.

Your students will gain the ability to apply sustainable thinking in both personal and business contexts, supporting them to make informed decisions and build a career with positive long-term prospects. You can watch our free on-demand CPD here

[CPD Video](#) ↑

We provide all the materials you need for delivery, requiring minimal preparation, so that you'll feel confident delivering the programme in a way that suits you and your timetable. The programme activities help meet the Gatsby Benchmarks of good career guidance, the learning areas of CDI's Career Development Framework and the Programme of Study for PSHE learning opportunities. Find out more at www.sustainable-futures.co.uk

[Sustainable Futures Website](#) ↑



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