



## Your weekly guide to careers information, advice and news from Parklands High School

Welcome to another edition of Career News.

Lots of useful information inside, but the main focus right now is Work Experience week, which is approaching rapidly! Every Year 10 will undertake a week of work experience from 17<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> July, and although a large number have already organised this, there are still quite a few who have not.



There is a notice board outside the top office, with details of various placements that have been very kindly offered by some of our fantastic local employers and businesses - and the list has been shared with Year 10s directly. If you are struggling to source a placement, please make use of the ones offered.



There will be an assembly next week covering work experience, as well as the upcoming taster days at college and introducing our two new Careers Ambassadors - student leaders who will be responsible for ensuring that messages are delivered, forms are chased up and the Careers Instagram is updated regularly, amongst other things!

Next week also sees a group of Year 8s visiting NSG Environmental Ltd., our mentors in the EDT Bronze Industrial Cadets Challenge. The site visit is the final stage in the project as the reports are submitted on 26<sup>th</sup> May. The group will be taking part in an online assessment in early June - which will hopefully result in us being considered for an award at the Grand Final at Liverpool University in July.

*Have a great weekend!*

22<sup>nd</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023



We're delighted to share some fantastic memories of our recent BA (Hons) degree and diploma graduation ceremonies which took place in our home city of Bath, at the historic Bath Abbey.

Even the bad weather didn't dampen spirits and it was a wonderful and joyous day for our graduates and their loved ones.

We're pleased to share two heart-warming videos with you so you can see how much it meant to our graduates to celebrate their incredible achievements.

[Watch our degree graduation video](#)

[Watch our diploma graduation video](#)

## **Open day - Saturday 20 May**

We're now fully booked for our May open day but bookings for the next open day in October will go live in May and you can find information about our upcoming open events on our website.

In the meantime, we have lots of virtual sessions available to watch on our website which will provide your students with insight into various aspects of studying at Norland.

[View upcoming open events](#)

## **Norland Unwrapped - our new BA (Hons) Early Childhood Education and Care degree and diploma**

We're delighted to invite you and your students to our next Norland Unwrapped session on Wednesday 31 May, 5-6pm GMT.

During this session, we'll introduce our brand-new BA (Hons) Early Childhood Education and Care degree and diploma programme. Designed and written by our academic team, our new programme (subject to validation) includes lots of exciting new modules which draws on their wealth of early years experience to provide exceptional training based on the latest research and best practice.

Students enrolling in September 2023 will be the first to study the new course. In this session, you'll meet Dr Becci Digby and Lucy Krebs (Head and Deputy Head of Learning, Teaching and Research) who will be providing an in-depth overview, discussing the modules and how the degree and diploma are integrated.

[Book for Norland Unwrapped](#)



## Employment weeks begin for Set 44

Third-year students (Set 44) have started their employment weeks of dedicated training in preparation for their Newly Qualified Nanny (NQN) year - their final (fourth year) of training in a full-time paid nanny role with a family, which we find for them. Recently, they've attended aquatic safety training and sessions on baby massage and cyber security from former military intelligence officers.

While you may have seen and heard about the popular self-defence and skid pan driving sessions, you may not realise students spend a lot of time in lectures and guest lectures covering a wealth of topics including employer expectations, contract negotiations, applying for jobs, interview skills, paediatric first aid, bereavement, divorce, professional communication, and pensions. These final eight weeks prepare students for their first full-time role.

## Emily's story

You may have seen Emily's [My Norland Story](#) when she was a student. After her diploma graduation ceremony, we caught up with her to find out about life as a qualified Norland Nanny, which has seen her land her dream job in New York.

[Read Emily's Q&A](#)

# NHS doctor apprenticeships: Everything you need to know



The NHS recruitment and training body, Health Education England (HEE), confirmed funding for a new Medical Doctor Degree Apprenticeship in January.

Apprentices will earn a wage while training to nationally recognised standards, and like most degree apprenticeships, they won't have to pay any tuition fees. The first applications likely to open for the pilot scheme in September 2024.

Of course, trainees will need to meet the same high standards as those who do a traditional medical school route.

They will be required to attend medical school, complete an accredited medical degree like all other trainee doctors, and meet all other criteria to qualify as a doctor as set out by the General Medical Council.

This marks an important step in making careers in medicine more accessible, helping to recruit frontline medics into the NHS.

Providing an alternative route into medicine will help more people of different backgrounds get into the profession, making the NHS workforce more representative of the local communities it serves.

## **Does this mean school leavers be able to work as doctors without going to university?**

The main difference between the Medical Doctor Apprenticeship and a traditional medical degree is that apprentices will work as a trainee medical practitioner while studying towards their medical degree. Students who qualify via the traditional medical school route do not receive a salary until after they have completed their degree.

However, this doesn't mean apprentices will be treated as qualified doctors from the beginning. They will work safely under supervision at an appropriate level that is suitable to their stage of training.

Apprentices will also receive training from some of the same universities that already teach medical degrees.

## **Will doctors who study an apprenticeship be less qualified than someone who went to university?**

People who apply for the Medical Doctor Apprenticeship will be expected to have similar academic qualifications to those who apply for medical school.

There will also be options for graduates with non-medical degrees. Individual employers will set applicant criteria themselves, which will ensure that applicants possess the values and behaviours to become a medical doctor.

The apprenticeship will last five years and apprentices will have to complete all academic elements of medical training, including a medical degree and the Medical Licensing Assessment.

They will also have to meet all requirements set out by the General Medical Council for entry onto the Medical Register.

This means that by the end of their training, apprentices will achieve the same high-quality qualifications as someone who has got their medical degree through a traditional route.

## **Will apprenticeships lower standards of the NHS?**

Medical Doctor Apprentices will be subject to the same rigorous requirements as doctors with traditional training, and will achieve a medical degree just like a medical student.

The gold-standard apprenticeship will help to build a highly skilled NHS workforce, following on from the nursing and healthcare apprenticeships which already exist.

The apprenticeship will also boost the NHS workforce and help it to meet the growing demand for highly trained professionals, allowing it to benefit from a new pool of diverse talent.

## **How can I apply for a doctor apprenticeship?**

Start dates are yet to be confirmed as providers are still currently exploring how to best provide the apprenticeships.

However, candidates will likely be able to apply to the pilot scheme from September 2024, to allow providers time to prepare to deliver the course.

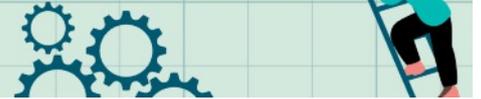
Those who are interested in applying should periodically check NHS Jobs or the government's Find an Apprenticeship website for any apprenticeship vacancies. Apprenticeships are unlikely to be advertised before 2024.



# Apprenticeships in Engineering



- What is an engineering apprenticeship?
- The different types of engineering apprenticeships
- Current engineering apprenticeship vacancies at world-leading engineering firms
- The skills you need



## Are you considering a career in engineering?

Did you know that an apprenticeship could be your ticket to a high-skilled job in a world-leading engineering company straight out of education? And what's more, you'll get paid a wage and gain qualifications without having to take on any student debt.

**Read on to find out about the different types of engineering apprenticeships and how you can apply.**

### 1. What is an engineering apprenticeship?

As an apprentice, you will gain the knowledge and skills for your role on the job. You'll spend most of your time in the office, lab, factory or field, where you will be trained up by experienced colleagues. Depending on your apprenticeship level, you will also study with a training provider, in college or at university, working towards a qualification which will support you in your day-to-day role.

There are three main types of apprenticeships: intermediate, advanced and higher/degree apprenticeships. Each apprenticeship will provide different qualifications.

**Curious about the different types of apprenticeships? Have a read of [this article!](#)**

### 2. The different types of engineering apprenticeships

Engineering has several different career pathways. The 5 main types of engineering apprenticeships are:

1. Electrical Engineering
2. Mechanical Engineering
3. Manufacturing Engineering
4. Civil Engineering
5. Environmental Technology Engineering

**Have a look at [this video](#) to learn more about the 5 main types of engineering apprenticeships**



### 3. What skills do I need to apply for an engineering apprenticeship?

Every engineering apprenticeship is different so make sure to read the job description carefully to find out about what skills are required. **As a guide, here are a selection of the skills and qualities you would need:**

- Able to work as part of a team.
- Dedicated, conscientious, and reliable.
- Practical and hands-on.
- A genuine interest in engineering.
- Hardworking.
- Able to communicate complex information.
- Able to think technically and analytically.
- Happy to work in an industrial environment.
- Organised.
- Good at managing your time.

Here are [some articles](#) about skills.

### 4. So what engineering apprenticeships are available?

**Engineering apprenticeships at Volkswagen - [Click to Apply](#)**

Experience hands-on learning while being mentored by industry experts. You will train at our world class training facilities and work with the very latest automotive technology and amazing vehicles.

**VOLKSWAGEN**  
GROUP APPRENTICE PROGRAMME

Location: Nationwide      Deadline: 26 May 2023

Latest opportunities: Become a Vehicle Parts Assistant, work in Mechanical or Technical Engineering, all while gaining a professional qualification.

**Engineering Apprenticeships at Jaguar Land Rover - [Click to Apply](#)**

Jaguar Land Rover are the pioneers creating the next generation of outstanding vehicles. They are looking for hard-working individuals to make driving more sustainable, their business more environmentally aware and their services more desirable for our customers



Location: Nationwide      Deadline: 26 May 2023

Latest opportunities: Vehicle Sales, Parts Manufacturing, Customer Service and Engineering Technician.

# Yellow Ribbon Day

Sunday 25 June 11am-4pm

St Catherine's Park, Lostock Hall

Registered charity number 512186



Enjoy a family-fun day out in support of St Catherine's Hospice at our popular Yellow Ribbon Day garden fete.

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Our gardens will be decorated with hundreds of yellow ribbons featuring names of people being remembered this summer.

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of sunshine to our special day  
whatever the weather by  
wearing something yellow

# JOIN OUR FREE STUDENT PROGRAMME!



YEAR 9-13 STUDENTS

## WHAT DO YOU GET OUT OF IT?



Scan this QR code to sign up.

Attend FREE employer events including work experience days.

Apply for apprenticeship and work experience opportunities directly from our website.

1-2-1 mentoring support sessions available for book every Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday during term time.

Access to written and video resources.

*"It was a great experience going through Pathway CTM, it gave me an insight into my future career providing me with lots of opportunities!"*

Just a few of the 50+ employers we work with!





# ALLIED HEALTHCARE MENTOR

## **This is a reminder that the next NHS Allied Healthcare Work Experience is coming up soon.**

Help your students explore the exciting world of healthcare. Whether your students are considering nursing, medicine, or any other healthcare profession, this work experience is vital to gain valuable insight to help them make an informed decision!

Registration Link: <https://alliedhealthmentor.org/product/live-virtual-work-experience-programme/>

During the work experience day, students will follow 2 patients from their initial presentation to recovery. They will gain a unique insight into how patients interact with a variety of healthcare professionals and what it's like to work in an NHS multidisciplinary team. This includes:

- Nursing
- Midwifery
- Paramedicine
- Physiotherapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Dietetics
- Radiography
- Prosthetics and Orthotics
- Speech and Language Therapy
- Pharmacy

Attendees will have the opportunity to interact with healthcare professionals throughout each day. This will empower students to make informed career decisions and demonstrate their commitment to healthcare in their UCAS applications.

Once they've registered, students will be emailed links to their virtual work experience portals.

Students are awarded a Work Experience Certificate for every session they complete. Those who complete the full 5-month programme will be awarded a Highly Commended Reference from the Presidents of Allied Healthcare Mentor. These are fantastic additions to their CVs!

Students can register individually at any time throughout the 5-month programme using the link below. We recommend booking early to gain as much out of this programme as possible. Places are £10 a session to cover administrative and technological costs.

<https://alliedhealthmentor.org/nhs-healthcare-careers-virtual-work-experience/>

Thank you for highlighting this opportunity to the next generation of NHS workers.

Kindest Regards,

Work Experience Team  
Allied Healthcare Mentor



# ALLIED HEALTHCARE MENTOR



In partnership with NHS England, we would like to invite your students to a Healthcare Virtual Careers Chat themed on Allied Health Professional (AHP) roles on Wednesday 24th May, 11:00am - 12:00pm.

From physiotherapists and paramedics to dieticians and diagnostic radiographers, AHP's carry out a vital part in our healthcare and there are numerous opportunities for students looking to get in to the sector.

The chat is aimed at students in years 9 to 11, where they'll have the opportunity to hear from a panel of Allied Health Professionals who will share insight into their roles, pathways into them and entry requirements, and tips for preparing to get your foot in the door. We'll also have Q&A's throughout where students can send in questions for the panel.

If you'd like to attend, please complete our registration form on the link below. Students can sign up individually by putting their name/s, school and email, and N/A for all other fields. The session will not be recorded, however if you're unable to make this we can keep you posted on future sessions.

Healthcare Careers Chat: Allied Health Professionals

24 May 2023 11:00 AM London

[https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_5HWynqySSxCNWyZkqi0t8Q](https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_5HWynqySSxCNWyZkqi0t8Q)

Please get in touch with any questions! Updates will be shared with registrants.



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- Dietetics
- Radiography
- Podiatry
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- Pharmacy
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L2 Apprentice Hairdresser at The Hair Company, Standish Training provider: Wigan & Leigh College	VAC1000164928
L2 Customer Services Apprentice at Chorley Council Training provider: Runshaw College	VAC1000164742
L2 Apprentice Customer Services Advisor at Primary Teaching Services Ltd., Bamber Bridge Training provider: Northwest Education & Training Ltd.	VAC1000164351
L2 Apprentice Warehouse Assistant at The Glowhouse Ltd., Leyland Training provider: North Lancs Training Group	VAc1000163958

L3 Scania Heavy Vehicle Technician Apprenticeship - summer start (ie school leaver) Haydock Commercial Vehicles Ltd., Walton Summit Training provider: Remit Group Ltd.	VAC1000163255
L3 Administration Apprentice at LWC Drinks Ltd., Leyland Training provider: Staff Select Ltd.	VAC1000163655
L3 Digital Marketing Apprentice at Create Education Project Ltd., Chorley Training provider: NowSkills Ltd.	VAC1000162774

Don't forget that you will still need good GCSE grades in English and Maths for an apprenticeship.



Go to <https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship> - create an account and apply for vacancies.  
You will probably need a CV - see Miss Berry for help with this.

Also check out the vacancies at [Alliance Learning](#) and [Training 2000](#)



# CAREER *of the* WEEK

## EARLY YEARS TEACHER

**Early years teachers work to inspire, excite and nurture children aged 0-5 years through a crucial stage of their development.**

As an early years teacher (EYT), your aim is to motivate children and use resources imaginatively to help them learn up to the age of 5 years. You'll provide a safe and secure environment for them to develop their social and communication skills, while recording observations and summarising their achievements.

As a result of your training, you'll achieve early years teacher status (EYTS) and with this you can work as an EYT within private, voluntary or independent (PVI) settings such as day nurseries, preschools and playgroups. You could also work within the reception year/early years foundation stage (EYFS) of an independent school, academy or free school.

It is worth noting that if you want to work in a local authority maintained school as an early years teacher, you'll need to have qualified teacher status (QTS) which is a different qualification to EYTS. If you have EYTS you can still work in a maintained school but you cannot lead a class on your own and instead would be in a position such as a higher level teaching assistant or cover teacher. For information on working as a teacher in a maintained school see primary school teacher.

It's important that the activities you plan and carry out in any setting meet the requirements of the early years foundation stage (EYFS) in England. For early years standards in Scotland, see The Early Years Framework, for Wales, see Education and skills and for Northern Ireland, see Early Years Education.

### Responsibilities

*As an early years teacher, you'll need to:*

- motivate and stimulate a child's learning abilities, often encouraging learning through experience
- provide pastoral care and support to children within a secure learning environment
- assist with the development of a child's personal, social, language and physical coordination abilities
- develop and produce visual aids and teaching resources
- encourage mathematical and creative development through stories, songs, games, drawing and imaginative play
- help children develop curiosity and knowledge
- work with others, including teaching assistants and nursery nurses as well as volunteer helpers, to plan and coordinate work both indoors and outdoors
- share knowledge gained with other practitioners and build and maintain relationships with parents
- observe, assess and record each child's progress
- ensure the health and safety of children and staff is maintained during all activities, both inside and outside the setting
- attend staff meetings and staff training days
- keep up to date with changes in the curriculum and developments in best practice.



[Find out more here](#)