

Dear Parent / Guardian,

National Apprenticeship Week 2026

Please see below for a list of events that will be taking place in school from Monday 9th – Friday 13th February. Students are invited to attend any of the information sessions in school to learn more about apprenticeships from our guest speakers. The sessions will be informative, and students will have the chance to ask questions. Please can students be encouraged to attend the in-person sessions.

Further down, please also note the online **Unifrog Apprenticeship Fair** that will allow students to directly engage with employers, which is taking place on Wednesday 11th February.

There are also online webinars that students can sign up to from companies such as: **Northumbrian Water Group/National Gas/Nestle/Scottish Power**

Further links at the end of the bulletin contains useful websites for students to look at in their own time. Here, students can search for apprenticeships and see what's out there.

We hope students make the most of the week and explore this pathway in more detail. **Please note the talks/drop-in session in school are open to students only.** We hope parents can support the week by encouraging students to attend the talks in school and by supporting the online webinars from home.

Gosforth Academy events in school (students only)

Activities are from **3.30-4pm Monday to Thursday**. On Friday, there will be a short quiz set for students on FROG. The final slide will contain links to explore the Unifrog resources further using the 'know-how library'.

Please see our schedule of events and activities on the following page.

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Schedule of events:

Date	Time	Location	Event / Activity
Monday, 9 th of February	3.30pm – 4.00pm	Lecture Theatre	Gateshead College. Apprenticeship information and workshop.
Tuesday, 10 th of February	3.30pm – 4.00pm	Lecture Theatre	Newcastle College. Apprenticeship information and workshop.
Wednesday, 11 th of February	3.30pm – 4.00pm	Lecture Theatre	Degree Apprenticeships - Northumbria University. An information session on degree apprenticeships and where to find them.
Thursday, 12 th of February	3.30pm – 4.00pm	Room 158	Apprenticeship Drop-In Support. Students from any year group are free to attend a drop-in session with Mr Limbrick, Careers Leader. The session is informal, and students can ask questions, apply for apprenticeships, get support with CV/Cover letters, or get ideas on where to search for apprenticeships.
Friday, 13 th of February	Available anytime	Online resource	Visit FROG to view and complete the Unifrog Quiz Set.

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Further Events:

Wednesday 4th February – 12.30pm to 1.00pm Introducing Nestlé Virtual Careers, Lunch and Learn.

We appreciate that this is during the school day and some students will be unable to access this, but we wanted to make you aware of the opportunities that are out there.

Join our Nestlé Careers virtual webinar to hear directly from the Future Talent team.

Discover how Nestlé supports students through apprenticeships and graduate programs, helping you build valuable skills, find purpose, and access a wide range of future career opportunities.

Celebrate National Apprenticeship Week with Nestlé Lunch and Learn!

For more information about the event, visit:

<https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/37a12698-6eca-459e-bc1c-b04665afeecc@241c1b6c-8d47-473b-93f8-d0b6b95cf845>



Nestlé Academy
Free Career Webinar

Virtual Lunch and Learn for National Apprenticeship Week

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Wednesday 4th February | 12:30pm - 1:00pm

Jill Coyle
Apprentice Market Lead

Emma Lawson
Talent Acquisition Partner

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Monday, 9th of February, from 4.00pm to 5.00pm: NWG Apprenticeship Insights Webinar.

We are inviting students, teachers, parents, advisors and clients to join our **NWG Apprenticeship Insights Webinar** this National Apprenticeship Week. This will be an inspiring look into careers at Northumbrian Water Group, and it's open to all!

Join the webinar via Microsoft Teams. During the webinar, students will:

- Discover what makes **Northumbrian Water Group (NWG)** a great place to work
- Explore our apprenticeship roles and career pathways
- Hear real stories from current apprentices
- Gain insider tips to help their applications stand out
- Ask questions directly to our Early Careers team

Whether they are starting to explore future options, considering a new direction, or simply curious about the water industry, there is something valuable here for everyone.

Use the QR code on the poster below to register for your place and receive your TEAMS link.



The poster features the NWG logo and 'NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK #NAW2026' at the top. The main title is 'APPRENTICESHIP INSIGHTS WEBINAR'. The central text asks 'Are you ready to dive into an exciting new career?' and invites attendees to a behind-the-scenes session with Northumbrian Water Group. A list of benefits includes learning about NWG, exploring opportunities, hearing from apprentices, and asking questions. The event is scheduled for Monday, 9th February 2026, from 16:00-17:00. A 'Register now' button and a QR code are provided for registration. Logos for NWG Academy, Northumbrian Water, and Essex & Suffolk Water are at the bottom.

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Tuesday, 10th of February, from 6.00pm to 6.30pm: National Gas - What's it like to be an apprentice?

Join us for a virtual session exploring what National Gas does, why it matters, and how the work we do impacts your everyday life. You'll also meet three apprentices - some working on site and some in the office, who'll share what being an apprentice is really like, including the highlights and the challenges. By the end of the session, you'll have a clearer picture of what an apprenticeship at National Gas could look like, and whether it might be the right next step for you.

For further information about the event, click:

<https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/5af53fc2-72c6-4cb1-b669-b341faad59ac@241c1b6c-8d47-473b-93f8-d0b6b95cf845>



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Tuesday 10th February 2026 | 6pm - 6:30pm

Register

 <p>Nadine Grahame Early Careers Co-ordinator</p>	 <p>Clare Johnson- Talent Acquisition Business Partner – Early Careers</p>	
 <p>Owen McBride Engineering Filter Apprentice</p>	 <p>Ehema Orim Project Management Degree Apprentice</p>	 <p>Alice Black Electrical/Instrumentation Degree Apprentice</p>

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Wednesday, 11th of February, from 4.00pm to 6.00pm: Unifrog Virtual Apprenticeship Fair.

Students can join our popular virtual apprenticeship fair, where they can meet a diverse range of employers, including BBC, Aldi, and Unilever. There'll be live sessions to help students understand apprenticeships and apply successfully, plus the opportunity to hear from current apprentices. Sign-up for the event by clicking on the following link:

<https://webapp.spotme.com/login/eventspace/apprenticeship-fair>

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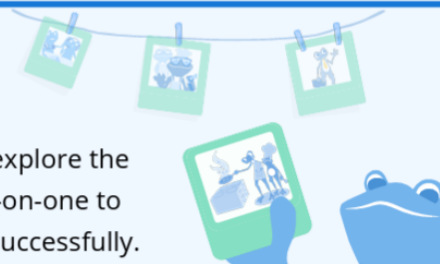
9–13 February 2026



Unifrog Apprenticeship Fair

Wednesday 11 February (4–6pm)

Where students can meet 30 employers in two hours, explore the latest opportunities, attend live sessions, and chat one-on-one to get top tips on how to find apprenticeships and apply successfully.



Wednesday, 11th of February, from 6.00pm to 6.30pm: Powering Futures - A Parent and Student's Guide to Apprenticeships.

National Apprenticeship Week is the perfect time to explore exciting career opportunities. Join ScottishPower for an exclusive virtual session exploring the world of apprenticeships.

During this session, we will cover:

- An introduction to National Apprenticeship Week and why apprenticeships matter in today's job market/the energy industry.
- Types of roles available and variety of programmes across ScottishPower – Investment ScottishPower are putting into young people/programmes.

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- Benefits of an apprenticeship to a young person
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 **Rachel Hollinger**
Early Careers Manager



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Other Useful Information

- National Apprenticeship Week 2026. For further information, click: <https://naw.appawards.co.uk/>
- Amazing Apprenticeships (Student Zone). For further information, click: <https://www.amazingapprenticeships.com/zones/student/>
- Gov.uk - Find an apprenticeship. For further information, click: <https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/>

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