

Careers Newsletter – February 2024

GET READY FOR NAW2024!



Welcome to the first Careers newsletter of 2024!

There is lots of useful resources and information to share in this newsletter as **National Apprenticeship Week** is coming up **5th - 11th February** which is an opportunity for the education and skills sector to celebrate the achievements of apprentices around the country and the positive impact they make to communities, businesses, and the wider economy.



Leeds Apprenticeship Recruitment Fair 2024

Leeds Apprenticeship Recruitment Fair returns to first direct arena Leeds on Monday 5th February 2024. Free tickets are available to book anytime between 1pm-7pm. Everyone is welcome and the event is free to attend.

You'll have the chance to talk to major employers from a wide range of sectors, including accounting, business and administration, catering and hospitality, construction, creative design, care services, digital, education, engineering, finance, hair and beauty, health, law, protective services and many more!

Over 100 exhibitors will be there on the day offering information, advice, guidance and live vacancies. You'll have the opportunity to find out about apprenticeships as well as higher and degree apprenticeships, including what they involve and how they work.

You can book your free ticket here: <https://bit.ly/LARF24>

Careers Assemblies

In January Years 7,8 & 9 had a visiting guest speaker in their assembly – Bindi who delivered a very interesting presentation and talked about her professional career working in technology across India, Singapore, Hong Kong, Japan and Australia. She talked about her expertise in Robotics and her has also worked for two of the world's largest banks, HSBC and JP Morgan.

Year 10 had a visit from Leeds City Council Apprenticeship Hub who talked about some of the benefits of an Apprenticeships, the different levels, various pathways and went through some MythBusters!

Next term we will be hosting visits in assembly from Leeds City College and Leeds College of Building talking about the post-16 pathways on offer.

National Apprenticeship Week with HSBC

An exciting career awaits you

National Apprenticeship Week 2024
Come and explore apprenticeships with HSBC
5-11th February 2024

hsbc.com/careers




During National Apprenticeship week, HSBC are inviting students and their parents or guardians to join us for an open evening to gain an insight into HSBC, and to explore the opportunities to enter and build a career via our apprenticeship programmes.

We will be hosting open evenings in these locations:
Leeds- 40 Wakefield Roads Leeds LS98 1FD
Tuesday 6th February – 5.30 until 7pm

For those unable to join us in person, we are also hosting a virtual event
Thursday 8th February – 5.30 until 7pm. Please register for the virtual event by clicking [here](#).

To book your place onto one of our open evenings, please email us: early.careers.events@hsbc.com



The Parents' Guide to NAW 2024

Please follow the link to download the free guide covering all the key facts – whether that's for post GCSE apprenticeships or post 18 opportunities

www.theparentsguideto.co.uk/nationalapprenticeshipweek



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Unifrog Apprenticeships Fair

Get involved with National Apprenticeship Week! Join our virtual fair to learn all about the world of apprenticeships. Explore the latest apprenticeship opportunities, attend live sessions with top employers including BBC, Lloyds Banking Group and NHS, and network one-on-one to get top tips on how to find and apply for your dream apprenticeship.

February 7 2024 | 16:30 - 19:00 GMT

[Register Now](#)

Students can log in to their school Unifrog account to join the virtual fair and learn all about the world of apprenticeships!

Explore the latest apprenticeship opportunities, attend live sessions with top employers including KPMG, Lloyds Banking Group and Unilever, and network one-on-one to get top tips on how to find and apply for apprenticeships.

[Unifrog Apprenticeships Fair \(vfairs.com\)](http://vfairs.com)



Careers With Animals Day is on Saturday 2nd March.

This free, online careers event is ideal if you're interested in working with animals, but not sure how to get started. We'll be welcoming professionals from a variety of organisations, to discuss career, training and employment opportunities in the animal care and veterinary industry. You'll get the chance to ask questions during live Q&A sessions and gain advice about how to start a career working with animals.

You can join us virtually at any time from 9.30am-4pm on the day.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/careers-with-animals-day-tickets-737249020667?aff=email>



January Parents and Carers' Pack

The latest apprenticeship information & advice for parents, supported by the Education and Skills Funding Agency

[Download](#)

Apprenticeship Padlett

ASK (Apprenticeships Support and Knowledge) has created a handy **Padlett** for up-to-date apprenticeship vacancies in West Yorkshire available for students to apply. Have a look here;

[ASK Apprenticeship Padlett](#)

Year 12 Work Experience

A reminder that our Year 12 students will be going out on work experience Monday 1st to Friday 5th July 2024. If you would be willing to offer a placement to one of our students, whether it be for a week or even a day, we would be extremely grateful if you could complete the short google form below.

Please copy and paste this link into your browser; <https://forms.gle/qcrtH7kxgViAYwL4A>

Webinars & Podcasts

The Parent Perspective Podcast

“The Parent Perspective” is an exciting **podcast series for parents and carers**, helping them to support their children with careers advice and guidance.

[Listen Here](#)

Accountancy Apprenticeship Opportunities with the NAO

Finishing school this year and considering a different pathway to university?

If so, then why not come along to our virtual webinar with National Audit Office to hear from the Early Careers Team about how **they can earn and learn and start your career in accountancy!**

When: Tuesday 20th February 6:30pm-7:15pm [Register here](#)

Insight into Deloitte: Apprenticeships and Work Insights

Come along to our webinar learn about how you can start working at Deloitte, hear from current apprentices, and take part in a Live Q&A to have all of your apprenticeship questions answered.

When: 27th February 2024 6.30pm - 7.30pm [Register here](#)

The Irwin Mitchell Early Careers team is hosting an apprenticeship webinar

Irwin Mitchell is the UK's largest full-service law firm and offer legal and non-legal apprenticeship roles such as;

Assistant Accountant, Business Administration (starting at the age of 16), IT (Software Tester and Software Engineer), Paralegal and Solicitor

When: on the 7th February at 6pm -7pm to sign up to attend the virtual event please click on this [link](#)

‘Ask an Apprentice’ Webinar with Success at School

Join us for a chat hosted by our founder Mitesh with three apprentices who have overcome different barriers to share their personal journeys to land an apprenticeship!

When: 7th February 2024 6.30pm - 7.15pm [Register here](#)



Leeds City College

Wednesday 20th March - Open Event 4pm-7pm

Thursday 16th May – Open Event 4pm-7pm

The last hour of the Open Event will be a quiet hour (6-7pm). This hour is ideal for those who may benefit from a quieter environment, enabling time and space for focused conversations about your transition to college.

<https://leedscitycollege.ac.uk/events/open-event-march-2024/>

Temple Newsam Campus- For courses in animal management and horticulture

Saturday 27th April – Open Event 10am-1pm

<https://leedscitycollege.ac.uk/events/temple-newsam-open-event-april-2024/>

For Leeds Sixth Form Events please visit <https://leedssixthform.ac.uk/events/>

Leeds College of Building

Open events are the best way to see the college in action, meet our team, tour the workshops, speak to students and learn more about the courses on offer and see the fantastic resources and facilities we have available

Open events are taking place;

Thursday 22nd February

5pm - 7pm

North Street Campus

Saturday 18th May

10am - 1pm

South Bank campus

Students and their parents / guardians are encouraged to book tickets for the event through our website; [Events \(lcb.ac.uk\)](https://leedscitycollege.ac.uk/events)

Lighthouse Futures Trust are a specialist post-16 college which supports young adults move into paid employment. We support young adults aged 16-25, with an EHCP.

We are hosting a series of Open Days, so that parents, carers and young people can come and find out more about our offer. For more information & to book a place, please follow the link below.

Tuesday 19th March 2024, 5:00pm - 7:00pm

Location: Carlton House, Alma Road, Headingley Leeds, LS6 2AH

Book online here; <https://forms.gle/WoGBdSHnJLVKNn7S9>



Start your career with EY

Office Insight Evening

Interested in an apprenticeship in Business, Finance or Technology?

Come along to your local EY office to learn about our apprenticeship and work experience opportunities for year 11/S4, 12/S5 and year 13/S6.

You will have the chance to learn about the application process, and speak with current apprentices as well as more senior team members too!

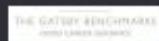
Please see below the list of events;

Birmingham	Monday, 29 January 2024
Bristol	Thursday, 8 February 2024
Cambridge	Wednesday, 31 January 2024
Edinburgh	Monday, 29 January 2024
Glasgow	Tuesday, 30 January 2024
Leeds	Wednesday, 7 February 2024
Liverpool	Wednesday, 14 February 2024
London	Monday, 4 March 2024
Manchester	Thursday, 15 February 2024
Newcastle	Friday, 2 February 2024
Reading	Tuesday, 13 February 2024
Southampton	Tuesday, 6 February 2024



REGISTER

All events will be from 6pm - 7.30pm



Connect with us



EY are hosting a number of open office events over the coming weeks for **students and their parents and carers**. This is a great opportunity to visit a local office, meet apprentices and find out more about the career pathways on offer. Each session runs from 6pm in the evening.

Registration can be completed by scanning the QR code or via this link [Click here](#)

The Apprenticeship Quiz 2024



How much do you know about apprenticeships?

Test your knowledge with our fun quiz and learn a little more about what roles are available, when to apply, when companies advertise and what they might be looking for.

[Apprenticeship Quiz 2024](#)

Spotlight on: Hospitality Sector

Across Yorkshire there are 93,000 people employed in the sector. In Leeds alone the sector employs 55,000, retail and visitor economy make up 16% of all jobs



Hospitality and Tourism employees are most likely to:

- Have good communication skills
- Are able to develop themselves
- Have high level management behaviours

Employer's value:

- Digital skills
- Social and emotional skills
- Foreign language skill

To find out more about the roles, skills, qualifications and career routeways click here:

[Hospitality Careers Map](#)

You can also research hospitality careers further here;

<https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/job-categories/hospitality-and-food>

Conference and exhibition managers and organisers		UK Average	
Weekly Pay £590	Annual Pay £30,680	Weekly Pay £505	Annual Pay £26,260
Hours/Week 36h	Hourly Pay £16	Hours/Week 37.5h	Hourly Pay £13
Workforce Change (projected)		Workforce Change (projected)	
Growth 2.9%	Replacement 48.7%	Growth 6%	Replacement 39.5%
<small>The workforce is projected to grow by 2.9% over the period to 2027, creating 2,200 jobs. In the same period, 48.7% of the workforce is projected to retire, creating 37,200 job openings.</small>		<small>The workforce is projected to grow by 6% over the period to 2024, creating 1,974,000 jobs. In the same period, 39.5% of the workforce is projected to retire, creating 13,110,000 job openings.</small>	
You might find this job in Office admin. Food & beverage services Sport & recreation Accommodation Services to buildings		<small>This is the average combined for all industries across the UK. The pay and hours are that of an average full-time employee in this job, including bonuses, before tax and deductions.</small>	

If you would like to discuss anything further in this newsletter, please feel free to contact myself

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