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Picks of the Week: 16th January 2023

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National Apprenticeship Week Parent/Carer Webinars

Save the dates... we will be holding two parent/carers apprenticeship webinars in partnership with Pathway CTM during National Apprenticeship Week, from **18:00-19:00 on 7th and 8th February**. We will send registration links for you to share with your parents/carers once we have them.

Events

Engineering Employer Open Events

[Download a poster](#)

The Engineering Trust have arranged a series of engineering employer open events during National Apprenticeship Week. Students can get an insight into the work they do, tour their facilities and find out more about the careers and apprenticeships on offer. Booking links are below.

FMB Oxford (Oxford)

6th February, 15:30-18:30

www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/national-apprenticeship-week-fmb-oxford-open-evening-tickets-491162780097

developing the technologies of the future.

Norbar Torque Tools (Banbury)

7th February, 18:00-20:00

<https://app.10to8.com/book/xiixdqaufydhmwqyno>

State-of-the-art factory facilities ensure they provide the very latest design, manufacturing and quality control technology to achieve the highest level of innovation and precision in the field of torque control equipment.

Navtech Radar (Wantage)

8th February, 18:00-20:00

www.eventbrite.com/e/apprenticeship-careers-open-evening-navtech-radar-grove-oxfordshire-tickets-511497401497

A world-leading innovator, award-winning designer and manufacturer of commercially deployed radar solutions, they produce ground-breaking technology used by businesses across industry sectors.

Viridor (Ardley, near Bicester)

9th February, 19:00-20:00

www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/apprentice-recruitment-tours-ardley-energy-recovery-facility-near-bicester-tickets-503470272137

Viridor operate a network of advanced energy recovery facilities across the UK, processing non-recyclable waste to create electricity, powering the equivalent of c. 635,000 British homes. At Ardley, since the site became fully operational in 2014, the maintenance engineering apprenticeship programme has been very successful.



Virtual Insight Event with GSK

<https://pathwayctm.com/event/virtual-insight-event-with-gsk>

At this webinar on **25th January from 18:00-19:00**, students can find out about GSK's programmes in engineering, data science and supply & logistics. They will learn more about the organisation as well as hearing from apprentices about their journey.

Henley College Open Events

www.henleycol.ac.uk/events

www.henleycol.ac.uk/events/tour-of-the-henley-college-25th-january-2023

At this guided tour of the College, students will have an opportunity to see the campus during a normal teaching day. Places are limited to ensure the best experience and to give visitors the chance to ask questions. Tours are also available on 1st, 8th and 22nd February.

Information event

21st March, 17:30-20:00

www.henleycol.ac.uk/events/information-evening-21st-march-2023

Students can explore the two beautiful campuses and extensive facilities, meet the teaching staff and find out more about the broad range of courses of offer for September 2023 entry.

ITV Data and AI Careers

<https://digdata.online/itv-live-online-career-panel>

The ITV live team are holding live online career panels on **2nd February at 18:30** to share information about their careers in data and AI and the placement, apprenticeship and graduate roles available. There are sessions for **Year 7-9 and Year 10-13 students**, parents/carers and educators.

What's involved?



Meet the ITV team

Abingdon & Witney College Open Events

Abingdon & Witney College have some open events coming up where your students can tour the facilities, meet tutors and find out about the courses on offer.

Abingdon campus open day

8th February, 15:30-19:00

www.abingdon-witney.ac.uk/events/abingdonf

Witney campus open day

22nd February, 15:30-19:00

www.abingdon-witney.ac.uk/events/witney-campus-open-day-2

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www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/rutherford-appleton-laboratory-apprenticeship-open-evening-2023-tickets-482430662097

Students can visit STFC on **8th February from 17:00-20:00** to find out about the wide variety of apprenticeship opportunities available, including mechanical, electrical and electronic engineering, ICT, computing, business administration, heating and ventilation, carpentry and lab technician. [Download a flyer.](#)

Get Into Apprenticeships

<https://pathwayctm.com/event/get-into-apprenticeships-national-apprenticeship-week>

At this Pathway CTM event on **9th February from 17:30-20:15**, students can find out about apprenticeships with Google, PwC and KPMG and ask questions about apprenticeships. It is being livestreamed so students can tune in.



What Career? Live

www.whatcareerlive.co.uk/what-university-what-career-live-birmingham-2023

What University? & What Career? Live takes place at the NEC, Birmingham on **3rd & 4th March**. It is for **15-19-year olds** to explore their higher education and career options and is free for school groups and individuals to attend. Parents/carers may be interested in attending on the Saturday.

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Students and their families can tour the Westmill Wind Farm & Solar Park on **16th April** to discover how their turbines and solar cells work, learn about renewable energy and hear the eventful history of the site. You can also book to take a group of students on a bespoke tour, which might be of interest to students considering careers in renewable energy.



Careers Programmes & Work Experience



ITV Live Online Career Challenge

<https://digdata.online/itv-live-online-career-challenge>

ITV are holding live online career challenges for **Years 7-9 on 30th January** and **Years 10-13 on 31st January** to help students understand the importance of data to inform decisions. They attend a briefing session, work on the challenge in their own time and receive a certificate of virtual work experience.

STEM Learning Mentoring

www.stem.org.uk/secondary/careers/mentoring

This online mentoring scheme is designed to help **14-18 year olds** explore their future career options by chatting to trained and experienced STEM professionals. The next cohorts will run for 10 weeks from **27th February**. Deadline for mentee sign up is **16:00 on 22nd February**.



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networking, strategic workshops, staff training, online tools and free resources.

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Round 1 deadline
Fri 31st March 2023

Round 2 deadline
Fri 26th May 2023

Round 3 de
Fri 7th July

Register interest, download your prospectus and apply
[skillsbuilder.org/accelerator](https://www.skillsbuilder.org/accelerator)

www.skillsbuilder.org/uk-accelerator

The Skills Builder Accelerator supports you to develop a sustainable strategy for teaching essential skills. You get networking, strategic workshops, staff training, online tools and free resources. There are 200 funded places in the UK for 2023/24. Apply from **20th February**. [Download a flyer](#).

Summer Schools

Big City Bright Future

<https://bcbf.intouniversity.org>

Big City Bright Future from IntoUniversity is a three-week paid work experience programme created especially to help **Year 13 students** who aspire to work within competitive industries. They can attend [prep sessions](#). Download an [overview](#) and [flyer](#). Closing **12th February**.



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Scan here to attend a prep session



Sutton Trust

<https://summerschools.suttontrust.com>

Sutton Trust UK summer schools give **Year 12 students** the opportunity to experience what university is really like at one of 13 universities. The programmes are designed to support high-achieving students from disadvantaged backgrounds. Closing **10th March**.

Resources

<https://amazingapprenticeships.com/apprenticeship-arcade>

This new suite of games from Amazing Apprenticeships will provide interactive and fun ways for students to explore and learn about apprenticeships, whilst working in groups or individually.



The Apprenticeship Quiz

<https://amazingapprenticeships.com/resource/the-apprenticeship-quiz-2023>

Amazing Apprenticeships have updated their apprenticeship quiz with new stats and questions. It's a great way to test your student's knowledge on apprenticeships and helps to get them engaged in a fun and informative way.

Apprenticeships

Beauty Apprenticeships

www.oicb.com/course

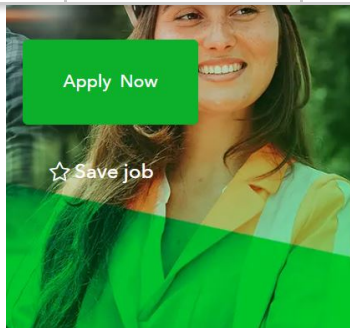
Oxford International College of Beauty are now taking applications for their level 2 beauty therapy apprenticeships for later this year. Interviews will be held in mid-February. These courses fill up fast and salon and spa placements are limited. Students can email the Admissions Team at info@oicb.co.uk.



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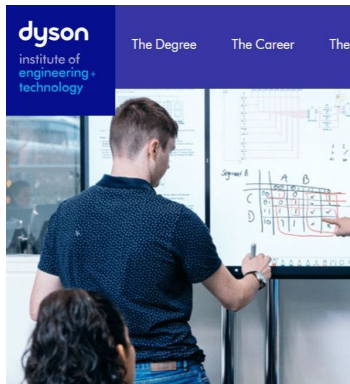
www.bamcareers.com/uk/en/job/14170/Technical-Apprenticeship-2023

BAM Construction are advertising for apprenticeships in civil engineering, quantity surveying, construction management, building services engineering and digital engineering. Closing **3rd March**.

Cisco

www.cisco.com/c/en/us/about/careers/communities/students-and-new-graduates/apprenticeship.html

Cisco offer a degree apprenticeship program. Students can [sign up for job notifications](#) to receive details of latest opportunities.



Dyson

www.dysoninstitute.com

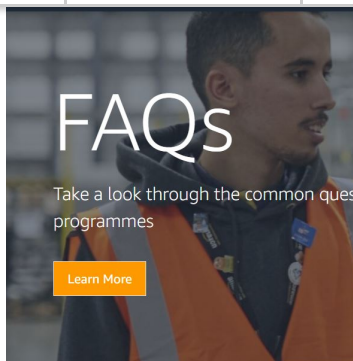
Dyson are currently recruiting for their engineering degree apprenticeship. Apprentices are Dyson engineers from day one, spending 3 days a week working alongside experienced engineers on live Dyson projects. Closing **29th January**.

Government Economic Service

www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-government-economic-service-degree-level-apprenticeship

The Government Economic Service Degree Apprenticeship is a unique opportunity to work on important issues our country faces, whilst studying an economics degree. Over 60 vacancies available nationwide. There is a [Q&A session](#) on **8th February**. Closing **14th February**.





www.amazonapprenticeships.co.uk

Applications will be open on 6th February. There are roles based across the UK for a number of Amazon's businesses including finance, buying, project management and broadcast production. To share insight on their schemes, Amazon will be holding a number of webinars between **17th and 31st January**.

Dates For Your Diary

Listed here are events that have featured in previous Picks of the Week.

JLR Apprenticeships Webinar

17th January, 18:00-19:00

At this webinar, students can find out about apprenticeship opportunities with Jaguar Land Rover, get hints and tips for their applications and hear from current apprentices about why they think JLR is a great place to start your career. [Register here](#).

Mental Health Careers in the NHS

19th January from 15:00

This webinar will highlight the wide variety of roles that work in mental health settings, including latest roles in the psychological professions and to find out more about other pathways for people with an interest in mental health. [Register here](#).

Lloyds Insight Event

18th January, 18:00-19:00

At this webinar, students can learn more about Lloyds Banking Group, find out about their apprenticeship programmes and hear from current apprentices about what it's like to work for Lloyds Banking Group. [Register here](#).

Apprenticeship opportunities with BP

18th January, 18:30-19:30

Explore careers within software development, cyber security, HR, trading, shipping and more. [Register here](#).

Bicester Construction Skills Centre

21st January, 09:00-12:00

Drop in to this open day to see the facilities and chat with specialist tutors, all recruited from industry. The centre has courses to suit a range of abilities, plus Apprenticeships with top employers in Oxfordshire.

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Access Accountancy Course

24th January, 17:00

This virtual Access Accountancy Careers Course will feature a variety of sessions from industry professionals, such as: introduction to accountancy careers, transferable skills session, LinkedIn beginner's workshop and a Q&A session with current accounting Apprentices. [Register here.](#)

Real Estate Apprenticeships with CBRE

24th January, 18:30-19:15

Find out all about CBRE, the global leader in commercial real estate. [Register here.](#)

Training Provider Marketplace

25th January, 09:00-11:00

We are organising an event at Unipart for Careers Leaders to meet with a range of training providers to facilitate working together to meet the requirements of the new Provider Access Legislation. You will be able to talk to representatives from a wide range of training providers who are based in, or deliver in, Oxfordshire. [Register here.](#)

Accountancy Apprenticeships with the National Audit Office

31st January, 18:30-19:30

The National Audit Office will provide information on their successful Chartered Accountancy Training Scheme which is open to school and college leavers. [Register here.](#)

Apprenticeship & Education Event

28th March

The National Apprenticeship and Education Event is a free careers event in Birmingham, designed to inspire young people with Apprenticeship, Traineeship and T Levels opportunities. Find out more at <https://nationalapprenticeshipevents.co.uk>

Careers Jam 2023

27th April 2023

You can now register your interest for Founders4Schools Careers Jam 2023. If you have any questions for the team, please contact them on careersjam@f4s.org.uk. [Find out more.](#)

Oxfordshire Apprenticeship Awards

18th May 2023 (closing date: 17th February)

The Oxfordshire Apprenticeship Awards 2023 is now open for entries and nominations! There is a Careers Champion category again this year, as well as an Inspiring the Future Employer Award and a range of categories for Apprentices and employers. We look forward to your entries! [Enter or nominate.](#)

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