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National Careers Week

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As you'll probably know, #NCW2023 garners engagement across social media, online via free resources and the wonderful **Virtual Careers Fair** and enables all schools, colleges, universities and educational settings to get involved in the best way for their young people.

Our **NCW2023 Headline Partners** NatWest Group have created a range of toolkits for Early Careers, Graduates, Apprenticeships and Internships as well as great films about mentoring, skills and podcasts to help young people navigate their futures. Their new **CareerSense** tool is a great way to help your students understand themselves and plan ahead.

Every day during #NCW2023 will have a different day sponsor as well as the ever-open **resource bank** for schools to access the free tools.

- Monday 6 March– NatWest Early Careers
- Tuesday 7 March – NHS Careers.
- Wednesday 8 March – Maritime UK
- Thursday 9 March – Engineering UK
- Friday 10 March – Space UK

These sponsors will be joined by a huge range of partners who are working with NCW to inspire and direct young people to a huge range of exciting careers. You can see them all on the NCW **website**.

Follow all the action on Twitter and Instagram @CareersWeek and on the website at **NationalCareersWeek.com** and the resource mini-site at **NCWResources.co.uk**  
Make sure you use the official hashtag in all your posts:

## #NCW2023

The Theme for #NCW2023 is

# TOGETHER

and we've got some incredible graphics for you to use in whatever way you wish – please use this download link:

NCW 2023 Together Graphics 





# HEADLINE PARTNER: NATWEST GROUP



Empowering young  
people to take control  
of their future.

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## NWG + SUTTON TRUST Pathways To Banking & Finance Programme.

The Sutton Trust champions social mobility from birth to the workplace. We support students from less advantaged backgrounds to access careers, apprenticeships and universities directly through our **programmes** whilst publishing **research** and policy recommendations to influence national change.

Our **Pathways to Banking & Finance** programme provides students aged 16-18 with the skills, knowledge and experience they need to access a career in the sector. Too often this requires professional connections, the ability to take on unpaid internships, or soft skills which are not always easily taught at schools. It is completely free, targeted, has both in-person and online versions and the application process is quick and easy. After an eighteen-month period of comprehensive activity, students walk away with:

- **Work experience** where they learn practical skills, increase their professional connections and gain knowledge of the sector.
- **Employability** skills sessions and workshops on how to find, apply and succeed in their chosen career.

As one of four consortium industry partners, NatWest Group makes a meaningful investment in both the funding and delivery of this programme. Our partners provide their time and expertise through offering work experience and participating in insight opportunities for students. - their collective help makes our work possible, shapes the programme and enables us to reach more young people.

**“I gained a far more specific understanding of the financial sector. It was very inspiring and gave me a lot of hope to be able to get any job in the future.”**

Pathways to Banking  
& Finance placement  
participant



# NATWEST GROUP MENTOR SCHEME

I started my career in Financial Services through a graduate program. This was a very structured process and I benefited from similar mentoring support as a part of my graduate scheme. Knowing how important this was for my career development, I wanted to do the same for the young people looking to take advantage through the CareerReady mentoring program at NatWest.

I found my experience last year very insightful. It became apparent very quickly that the young girl I was supporting had lots of questions and little understanding of how it works outside of formal education. What I realised through the process is that most young people have a good understanding what next looks like in their education journey but little or no understanding of what to do next, when the clearly defined education journey finishes. I think mentoring program such as this will really help these very capable people make informed decisions on career paths and how to set themselves up for success.

It was very rewarding on a personal level to be able to share my experience and offer some guidance that may potentially help the individual make informed decisions. In particular, a lot of sessions with my mentee were focused on effective communication, being proactive in building professional networks as well as problem solving.

Through my experience last year with my young person – I believe they took away insight and actionable ideas to plan their steps post formal education. This was hugely satisfying for me to experience and to know that I potentially helped my mentee to make better choices or to perhaps achieve her potential. I would strongly recommend this experience and ask all young people to take full advantage and for colleagues across the bank to get involved as everyone benefits from this experience.



NatWest Group Mentor Scheme –  
**Paulina Latos**

# NATWEST GROUP PARTNER SCHEME:

**NatWest Group Partner Scheme: TechWeCan / TechSheCan – incredible schemes to highlight pathways in technology within the financial sector.**



## Tech She Can

At **Tech She Can**, the tech careers charity with **+250 member organisations** spanning +40 sectors, we're on a mission to increase the number of women and girls pursuing tech careers. We work at the very beginning, nurturing and inspiring the future talent pipeline, investing in the long-term with our free schools' programme and at the later stages too, plugging the immediate skills gap.

## Tech We Can

Our **Tech We Can** resources have inspired tens of thousands of children to consider a future career in technology. We're particularly focused on reaching underrepresented groups, and children and young people in social mobility 'cold spots' across the UK.

Through our live assemblies and learning materials, children explore the latest technologies, find out about the breadth of careers in tech and discover how these jobs link to their own passions and interests.

### We offer:

- Downloadable **Lesson packs** for teachers or parents to use at home or in the classroom, with no registration or log-in;
- Cross-curricular **On-demand lessons** for age +8yrs;
- Award-winning **Animated lessons** for age +5yrs;
- Live Assemblies
- **Tech We Can Champions**, our national volunteer scheme, placing real-life tech role models in classrooms across the UK.



## PRIMARY SCHOOLS INSPIRATIONAL ASSEMBLY ALERT!

Tech She Can are hosting a special KS2 Assembly on Tuesday 7th March for National Careers Week. Please sign up on the Eventbrite link here:

EVENTBRITE

eventbrite.co.uk/e/national-careers-week-tech-for-helping-the-planet-ks2-assembly-tickets-531828592637



# TUESDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

## Tuesday 7th March is NHS day for #NCW2023 – make your appointment!

National Careers Week is the perfect opportunity to showcase the free NHS teaching resources available to help you deliver careers teaching that meets the Gatsby benchmarks.

There are over 350 – YES 350! Health Careers in the NHS and we want your students to get a grip on the wide range of jobs and career paths they could follow.

## NHS day Instagram live event.

NHS day of National Careers Week is on Tuesday 7 March this year and the NHS Health Careers team will be live on Instagram at 5.30pm so your students can hear direct from NHS staff in different roles.

We'll be asking them what they love about their jobs, how they got into them, and what they'd say to students just like yours who are starting to think about their future.

Join NHS Health Careers,  
5.30pm, Tuesday 7 March



[instagram.com/healthcareers/?upcoming\\_event\\_id=17943453755466993](https://www.instagram.com/healthcareers/?upcoming_event_id=17943453755466993)

See you on NHS day – 7th March – from  
**THE NHS HEALTH CAREERS TEAM.**

## KS3 resources

If you haven't already, check out the Step into the NHS KS3 competition.

Great prizes and recognition are on offer for students in years 7 - 9, and there's a flexible one-lesson plan to help you introduce it. To enter, students need to design a fun and unique job advertisement on a chosen NHS role – by 30 April 2023, so there's still plenty of time!

Enter here.



## Other useful tools

It's a good idea to ask your students to complete the online NHS quiz so they can get ideas of what they could do in the future...where will their talents take them in one of the world's best healthcare institutions?

FindYourCareer



And did you know they can sign up to receive a free email guide to an NHS career tool to help them get started?

Healthcareers



# WEDNESDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

## Wednesday 8th March – Don't Miss The Boat!

## Maritime UK – exciting futures for women and girls!

Maritime UK is to deliver a nationwide 'roadshow' to inspire girls to consider Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) careers in the maritime sector.

The roadshow will aim to encourage Key Stage 3 girls to choose STEM subjects and to give the students greater awareness of career opportunities across the maritime industry. The first event will be in Liverpool during April 2023 and will be followed by a number of events at port towns across the UK. Details in the link below:

Maritime Roadshow for Girls  
Maritime UK



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# THURSDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

Thursday 9 March is #NCW2023 engineering careers day with EngineeringUK. Find out about what engineers do, routes in and the great range of careers available in engineering.



## All routes into engineering booklet

Take a look at the new 20-page All routes into engineering booklet, for young people in the UK who are making decisions about their next steps, and the different routes into the sector including T Levels, apprenticeships, Degree Apprenticeships and degrees.

All routes into engineering booklet



## Why choose engineering?

### 5 reasons to work in engineering and technology:

- 1. Make a difference: transform the way we live.**  
Engineers help create a healthier, safer, greener, happier and more equal society. They develop renewable power, create and distribute vaccinations, improve cyber security, design accessible venues, and much more.
- 2. In demand: enjoy job security.**  
Engineers and technicians are critical to reducing carbon emissions and achieving net zero, and engineering and technology skills will always be needed to help us adapt and thrive - now and in the future.
- 3. Rewarding: have a well-paid job that you love.**  
Engineering is behind everything, from gaming and sports, to the environment and space. It is one of the few career choices that allows you to follow your passion, doing something that you care about, while earning good money.
- 4. Creative: get paid for having ideas.**  
Engineers find new and innovative solutions to everyday and complex problems. Their flair for design – combined with their highly practical approach to problem solving – ensure their workload is varied and their skills are in demand.
- 5. Opportunity: choose your path.**  
Exciting opportunities exist for engineers and technicians at all levels. The engineering sector needs people from diverse backgrounds to join the profession, whether that's via an apprenticeship, a degree, a degree apprenticeship, T Level, A levels, Highers, or your own, unique route.



Register for free with Neon for engineering activities for schools, case studies and careers resources:  
[neonfutures.org.uk/my-profile/sign-up](https://neonfutures.org.uk/my-profile/sign-up)

## SPECIAL EVENT

### Ask questions about engineering careers!

9.30 and 10.30am, Thursday 9 March

Join us between 9.30 and 10.30am on Thursday 9 March when our careers team will be running a live Q&A all about engineering careers over on **Neon Twitter**. Ask your questions ahead of time for a chance to have them answered in the session, using

**#ASKENGINEERCAREERS**

## Learn more about engineering careers

Visit the Engineering UK pages on the Virtual Careers Fair:

Virtual Careers Fair

## Meet the future you quiz



Ever wondered what an engineer does? Could you see yourself exploring outer space, protecting the environment, designing apps or developing cures for diseases?

Engineers do all this, and more! Answer a few short questions and find out how YOUR skills and passions could lead to an exciting job in the future. Whether you're just starting out, or ready to think about your next step, this is the quiz for you.

Take the quiz

## STEM HUB and MACE: 9<sup>th</sup> March Assembly.



A superb chance to hear about careers in construction from a STEM Ambassador working for MACE. She will talk about routes into construction in the UK including via Apprenticeships.

Sign Up Details

## STEM HUB and TOKAMAK ENERGY: 10<sup>th</sup> March Assembly

8.40 and 9.10am, Friday 10 March



Incredible opportunity to learn about a career in Fusion Energy with The Stem Hub, Tokamak Energy and Canterbury Christ Church University on Friday 10th March between 08.40 and 09.10am.

Sign Up Details



# FRIDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

## Friday 10 March – Space UK



Our #NCW2023 Friday Sponsor is the UK Space Agency, a Government initiative to spearhead the United Kingdom's programme of Space Missions, support careers in space exploration and enable the development of technology to aid space travel and beyond.

The official UK Space Agency web pages have a superb array of tools and resources for schools to inspire students towards STEM careers linked to Space and Technology.

[Find the pages here.](#)

## Project Highlight

One of the fantastic endeavours that the UK Space Agency is providing funding for is the development of 5G and 6G telecommunications which will benefit space exploration and beyond.



Have a look at The Virtual Careers Fair and Social Media Channels during the week for some surprise content from our incredible partners Space UK!

[@SpaceGovUK](#) [@CareersWeek](#)



## The National Space Academy

The National Space Academy provides links, information and inspiration for young people who are looking for careers in the space industry, visits to the National Space Centre and other conferences and advice and support channels.

[The National Space Academy](#)

## In Their Own Words.

Hear about careers in the Space industry from those who actually work there! This set of superb videos shows scientists and technicians employed in aerospace and space technologies – what they do, how they got there, what their days look like and the exciting work that they do.

The link to the STEM.Org.uk video channel is here

[STEM Video Channel](#)

With more than 117,000 people working in the Space sector in the UK, there are a plethora of opportunities available – all explored in this leaflet with links for you to share with your students.

[UKSA Careers leaflet](#)

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# WE CAN CREATE CHANGE

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# AMAZING RESOURCES: AMAZING ACTIVITIES!

## The Return of the NCW Virtual Careers Fair!

The Virtual Careers fair makes its return once more – you can explore rooms and rooms of brilliant content and resources from partners and sponsors for FREE starting on 6th March for weeks.

Virtual Careers Fair



## I'm a Scientist!

The I'm A Scientist, Get Me Out Of Here team have created a really easy to use careers enrichment tool for your students for #NCW2023.

Find out here about taking part in Live Chats with people working in STEM fields of all kinds.

Details here.



## Parent's Guide

Each year we offer a guide for parents – not just for NCW but also to help their children to understand more about future careers - #NCW2023 is no exception.

Please share this inspiring and informative guide with your school's parents – why not send the link in your regular newsletter?

Download here



## BBC Bitesize

Long term National Careers Week partners, BBC Bitesize have created a couple of incredible resources for teachers to bring careers lessons to life in their classes.

From Monday 6th March, the social media sensation Mr P will be hosting **Career We Go** – a fun and interactive workshop aimed at KS3 and KS4 students, designed to help them get an understanding of what it takes to find a career suitable for them. There are engaging tasks and games complete with instructions and timers on screen so teachers can sit back and let Mr P guide your students towards what they want to be in their futures!

The on-demand workshop is 45 minutes long and comes complete with resources to print out but if that's not possible then don't worry your students can take part with just a pen and paper.



## Russell Kane Live Stream!

Following on from Mr P's workshop, BBC Bitesize are hosting a complimentary livestream on Friday 10th March hosted by award-winning stand-up comedian Russell Kane. You can send in questions from your students for Russell to put to the guests by emailing [bitesizequestions@bbc.co.uk](mailto:bitesizequestions@bbc.co.uk) from the worlds of fashion, computer games design and special FX, TV and writing.

Russell will be talking to big time author and screen writer **Malorie Blackman**, fashion entrepreneur **Fisayo Longe**, special FX designer **David Sheldon-Hicks** and wildlife cameraman and presenter **Gordon Buchanan** about their careers, how they got into them and what advice they have for your class.

The Mr P lesson is designed to get your students thinking about what they're interested in and how they could apply that to different jobs. The Russell Kane Livestream is aimed at giving those who *still* don't have a clue what they fancy doing some unique inspiration.

## Nando's

We're delighted to announce that NCW has just linked-up with Nando's – here's a short piece about their Apprenticeship programme for managers in the business.

We recently had a graduation ceremony for our Nando's Varsity Apprenticeships Programme. This is the first time since launching we have been able to have a face-to-face graduation. Over the last 15 months this group of learners have put a huge amount of effort into their Diploma, and it's only right to celebrate their huge achievement. They've each made a huge stride in their careers and we can't wait to see what is next for this new group of Managers"

Find out more about The Nando's Varsity programme here

Nando's Early Careers







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## 4-9th March 2024



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