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It's nearly here! 10th-16th February is National Apprenticeship Week. We're going to share some of the best events we've seen that you can sign up to. We know we're celebrating a little bit early BUT we want to make sure you have enough time to sign up to the opportunities you're interested in.

If you like the look of the event but can't make the time, sign up any way to receive recording of the session. Please note that we cannot guarantee that all event organisers will record the sessions, but most will.

Here are the events that are already listed for the week, you can already register to as many as you'd like. Some are broad and about apprenticeships in general whereas others are specific to certain industries/employers.

You can also find events directly from employers and education organisations by searching #NAW2025 on social media platforms.

The week is run by a company called <u>CareerMap</u> who are giving away <u>a range of prizes</u> during the week (including a MacBook Pro and JustEat vouchers!).

You might be thinking, "Ok, great... But I don't really know much about apprenticeships at the moment!". Here are some of the questions you might have:

- What is an apprenticeship?
- Is an apprenticeship right for me?
- What do the different Apprenticeship levels mean?
- Should I go to university or do a Degree Apprenticeship?
- How can I educate my parents/carers about Apprenticeships?
- How do I apply for apprenticeships?
- What support is there for me if I have additional needs?

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If you already know that you want to follow the university route, you can find lots of events using <u>UniTasterDays</u>.

The Met Office work experience programme consists of two distinct phases. The first is an online work experience. This stand-alone programme is available to all UK-based students aged between 13 and 18, and all who register are guaranteed a place. As part of this programme, you'll explore typical roles in the Met Office through a series of videos, projects and webinars. Following completion of the online programme, you can apply for a second phase of work experience - a two to three day in-person placement, for which limited places are available.

EquityEd has been started by current university students who want to make the education pathways beyond Sixth Form more accessible to everyone. "At EquityEd, we bring the opportunities directly to you. We want to make sure that all opportunities are accessible to all state-school students and not gate kept by a minority. Gain access to opportunities for Secondary, Sixth Form, & College students from top institutions and organisations starting today by <u>using our website</u>."

"At Rolls-Royce, we want you to be at your best. That's why we've created <u>two</u> <u>comprehensive preparation guides</u> to help you know what to expect when it comes to applications, interviews and Assessment Centres. Whether you're applying to a Rolls-Royce Early Careers programme or elsewhere, these guides can give you a helpful insight into the recruitment process. So, you can feel ready and confident for the journey ahead."

"The <u>National Apprenticeship & Education Events</u> are designed to inspire school & college leavers, and other young adults, to discover more about career and further education opportunities. Our events bring together thousands of Students aged 15+ from schools, sixth forms & colleges, parents, guardians & individuals together with Top UK Employers, Universities, Colleges & Training Providers. Our events provide those all-important face-to-face conversations in a fun and interactive setting."