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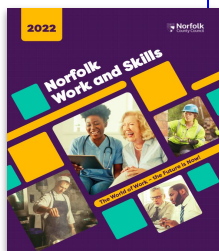
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## National Careers Week

It has been a busy week this week in the world of Careers.

Monday's virtual assembly highlighted changes in the ways that employees work today and how they might work in the future; and described some of the growth employment sectors across Norfolk due to new technology being developed all the time; people are living longer; action on climate change; and the demand for higher skills. Please take a look at the [Norfolk Work and Skills booklet](#) (2022) for more information.



P. Bigwell

School departments have been creative in recent weeks compiling examples of **Careers Profiles** to show their students across the Year Groups.

This week they have been showing these in lesson time, promoting how their subjects link to certain careers, describing role responsibilities, qualifications required and how subject related skills relate to those roles.

Click [here](#) to see a selection of the Careers Profiles.

**Employer Engagement** The Careers Team is proud to work with local employers offering interactive [Careers Talks](#). The school has recently welcomed representatives from Taverham Vets, ITV and the Royal Air Force. Are there employers that you would like us to invite into school? If so, please email the Careers Team: [careersadvice@yare-edu.org.uk](mailto:careersadvice@yare-edu.org.uk)



The Careers Team has been delivering a **Baked Beans Assembly** to Years 7 and 8. How many job roles might be involved in the production of the humble tin of baked beans? Dozens! Many within the food industry and many more supporting that industry. It would not be a fun Assembly without a taste test! Were our volunteers able to tell the difference between Heinz, Tesco and Lidl beans?



## Careers Profile CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

**Salary:** Starts at between £18,000 and £22,000 a year as an apprentice. When you are fully qualified the average annual salary is £84,000 per year.

### Responsibilities:

- manage financial systems and budgets
- undertake financial audits (an independent check of an organisation's accounts)

### Qualifications Required:

If you're 16 or older and aren't in full-time education, you'll be able to apply for an AAT Accounting Apprenticeship. To get onto the lowest level, you will need a minimum of 5 GCSEs at Grade C/4 or equivalent. Employers, though, will normally ask for at least 3 A levels or equivalent at A\*-C. You can also join a Graduate Scheme with a degree in any discipline.

### Relevant Business Skills:

An interest in business and finance



## Careers Profile COUNSELLOR

**Salary:** Starting £27,055 up to £47,672 for experienced counsellors

### Responsibilities:

- Agree what will be covered in sessions and keep records
- Build trust with a client in person, online or over the phone
- Listen carefully, ask questions and check understanding
- Help your client to talk about their feelings, see things clearer and find ways to cope
- Empathise but challenge when necessary
- You would work with individuals, couples, families or groups.

### Qualifications Required:

- You could study for a Level 3 Certificate in Counselling Skills, and Level 4 Diploma in Counselling Skills and Theory, or a Level 5 Diploma in Therapeutic Counselling
- You could go to university to study a degree in counselling - therefore needing 2-3 A Levels or equivalent

### Relevant PSHE Skills:

Active listening skills and a non-judgemental approach, a knowledge of psychology, ability to understand people's reactions, sensitivity and understanding, work well under pressure.



Want more information? Visit <https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/job-profiles/counsellor>



It is **National Careers Week** and our Attendance Matters input to Form Time naturally looks at the ways in which a school record can support a career plan. Our links with local businesses give us good advice to pass on to our students - one of the most important messages is that it is not just the grades! A good general school record, including Attendance, Punctuality and Attitude, complements the GCSE grades that our students secure in the summer of Year 11. We report on all three when we receive requests for reference and we are especially proud of those students who persevere and aspire, and who work hard to overcome the obstacles.

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**MATTERS**



Look out for our Special Edition about Your Future coming out Tuesday 14 March 2023

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## Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance Thorpe St Andrew School and Sixth Form

School website: 'Students' and 'Parents' menus  
Email: [careersadvice@yare-edu.org.uk](mailto:careersadvice@yare-edu.org.uk) Twitter: @tsascareers

**Careers Roadmap** Take a look at our Careers Roadmap that outlines elements of our Careers Programme.

- November's Green Careers Week
- February's National Apprenticeships Week
- March's National Careers Week
- June's Uniformed Services Careers Week
- July's Health and Social Care Careers Week

**Orbit Group:** Helping students access selective universities and competitive courses

**NEACO Group:** Helping students access Universities/Apprenticeships who not be familiar with the world of Higher Education

**Year 6**  
Research websites that promote Career aspirations

**Year 7**  
Consider ambitions  
Challenge stereotypes  
Participate in 'Step into the NHS' Competition

**Year 8**  
Undertake Interests and Personality Profiles  
Research Unifrog  
Careers Library  
Recognise motivations, successes, and record competencies  
Participate in The Real Game - exploring work-life balance  
Work Shadowing Day

**Year 9**  
Link personal skills and qualities, interests and achievements to sections of a CV and future Career Plans  
Be aspirational and ambitious, recognising growth sectors in future labour markets  
Prepare for Post-14 Preferences, attend Open Evening

**Year 10**  
Learn about Post-16 Choices including Courses (and the different level there are), T-Levels and Apprenticeships  
Consider what employers and FE providers want from young people as we further research the future labour market.  
Prepare for Three-Day Experience of the Workplace



**Year 11**  
Review understanding of various Post-16 Choices, and implications for Post-18 Options, such as University and Higher/Degree Apprenticeships.  
Preparation for Open Days and Open Evenings: How might FE providers sell themselves?  
Search and apply for Post-16 Courses  
Search and apply for Intermediate/Advanced Apprenticeships  
Interview practice  
Attend Wider Norwich Post-16 Options Event

**Year 12**  
Consider the benefits of Work Experience/ Volunteering  
Research possible Work Experience/ Volunteering opportunities for September (Year 13)  
Consider Post-18 Options - whether that's an Apprenticeship, Employment, Gap Year or University  
Year 12 Careers Fair



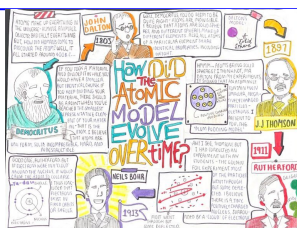
**Year 13**  
Work Experience (One Week)  
Research Apprenticeship/ University (UCAS) opportunities  
Attend University Open Days  
Draft Personal Statements using Unifrog  
Make applications through UCAS or the National Apprenticeship Service websites  
Consider employability matters, including personal identity



## The British Science Week 2023 poster competition is now open!

The theme this year is **'Connections'**, so there are loads of STEM topics that could be explored! How about exploring how our body parts are all connected and work together, the connection between our actions and the impact on our environment, or even how internet connection has changed the world.

Please send your posters to [Mrs Miller](#) by no later than Friday 24 March 2023.



**Monday 13 March 2023 - Thorpe Music Showcase 2023**

**Tuesday 14 March 2023 - Year 11 Parent Consultation Evening**

**Friday 17 March 2023 - Team 6 Quiz 'n' Chips**

**Wednesday 22 March 2023 - Year 13 Parent Consultation Evening**

**Year 9 Netball Evening at Open Academy National Reading Champions Quiz, Regional Heat at Dereham Northgate School**

**Friday 24 to Sunday 26 March 2023 - Year 10 Duke of Edinburgh Practice Expedition**

Check out our [website](#) for future dates.