EDITION 5 : 24/25
JANUARY

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NEXT STEPS



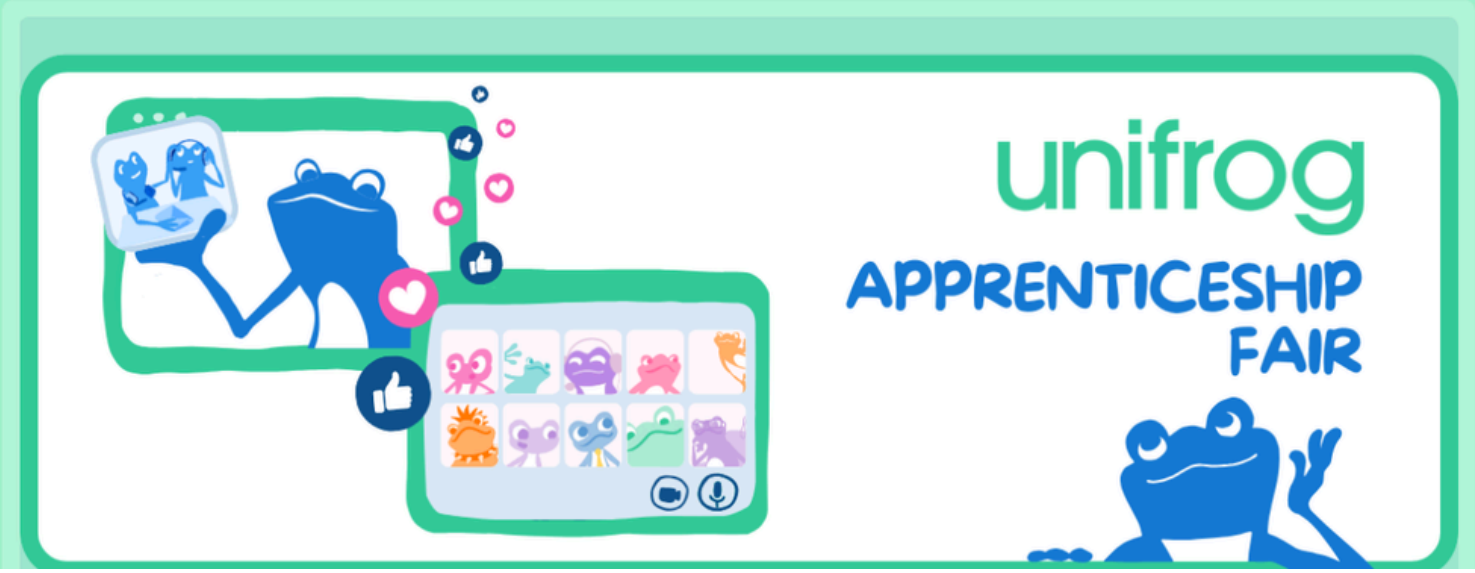
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Upcoming Events

5 February	Y10 Army Visit
12 February	Y8 Trip to Engineering Industry Day (SIGN UP)
From 12 February	Y11 Mock Exams
13 February	Y9 GCSE Option Deadline
27 February	Y10 Parents Evening
5 March	Y7 Career Detectives
3-7 March	National Careers Week - Careers Assemblies for all Year Groups

Parents/Carers/Alumni - If you could help to support events in 24/25, please contact **careers@harriscofeacademy.co.uk**



Sign up for the Unifrog Apprenticeship Fair

Wednesday 12 February

Join the Unifrog virtual fair to learn all about the world of apprenticeships. Explore the latest apprenticeship opportunities, attend live sessions with top employers, and network one-on-one with professional experts to get top tips on how to find and apply for your dream apprenticeship.

Sign up here

Schedule

4:05 PM - 4:10 PM - Welcome to the Apprenticeship fair

4:40 PM - 5:00 PM - How to ace your written apprenticeship applications

4:40 PM - 5:00 PM - Everything you need to know about apprenticeships

4:40 PM - 5:00 PM - What to expect from the application process

4:40 PM - 5:00 PM - Degree apprenticeships

5:30 PM - 5:50 PM - How to showcase your skills in applications

5:30 PM - 5.50 PM - How to ace interviews and assessment centres

5:30 PM - 5:50 PM - Parents and caregivers session: what are apprenticeships and how to support applications

5:30 PM - 5:50 PM - How Unifrog can help you find and apply to apprenticeships

WHAT IS AN APPRENTICESHIP?

8 key facts you need to know

Amazing Apprenticeships

1. **An apprenticeship is a real job** Available to individuals aged 16+ (with no upper age limit), apprentices are typically employed for at least 30 hours per week.

2. **Apprentices are paid a salary**
All apprentices will earn a salary of at least the National Minimum Wage for apprentices, which will increase to £7.55* per hour from April 2025. Many employers pay more!

3. **Apprenticeships last a minimum of 12 months**
Most apprenticeships take between 1 - 4 years to complete. It will depend on the level and delivery model of the apprenticeship.

4. **Apprenticeships range from level 2 to level 7**
There are apprenticeships at levels equivalent to GCSEs right up to master's level and you can now achieve a degree through an apprenticeship.

5. **Apprentices do not pay for their training**
All apprenticeship costs are paid for by the employer and/or the government, meaning that an apprentice will never have to pay for their training.

6. **Apprentices will receive paid off-the-job learning**
The equivalent of 6 hours per week of an apprentice's paid time will be spent undertaking off-the-job learning, gaining valuable skills and qualifications.

7. **Apprentices will spend the majority of their time on-the-job**
Most of an apprentice's paid time will be spent on-the-job, working with colleagues to learn new skills and gain experience of the workplace.

8. **There are thousands of apprenticeships in more than 170 industries**
New apprenticeships are advertised each week covering a wide range of job roles. You will be amazed at the variety and breadth available!

*The National Minimum Wage for apprentices is reviewed each April.

Discover more about apprenticeships:
www.amazingapprenticeships.com

NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK 2025



Meet The Employer Logo Reveal Quiz

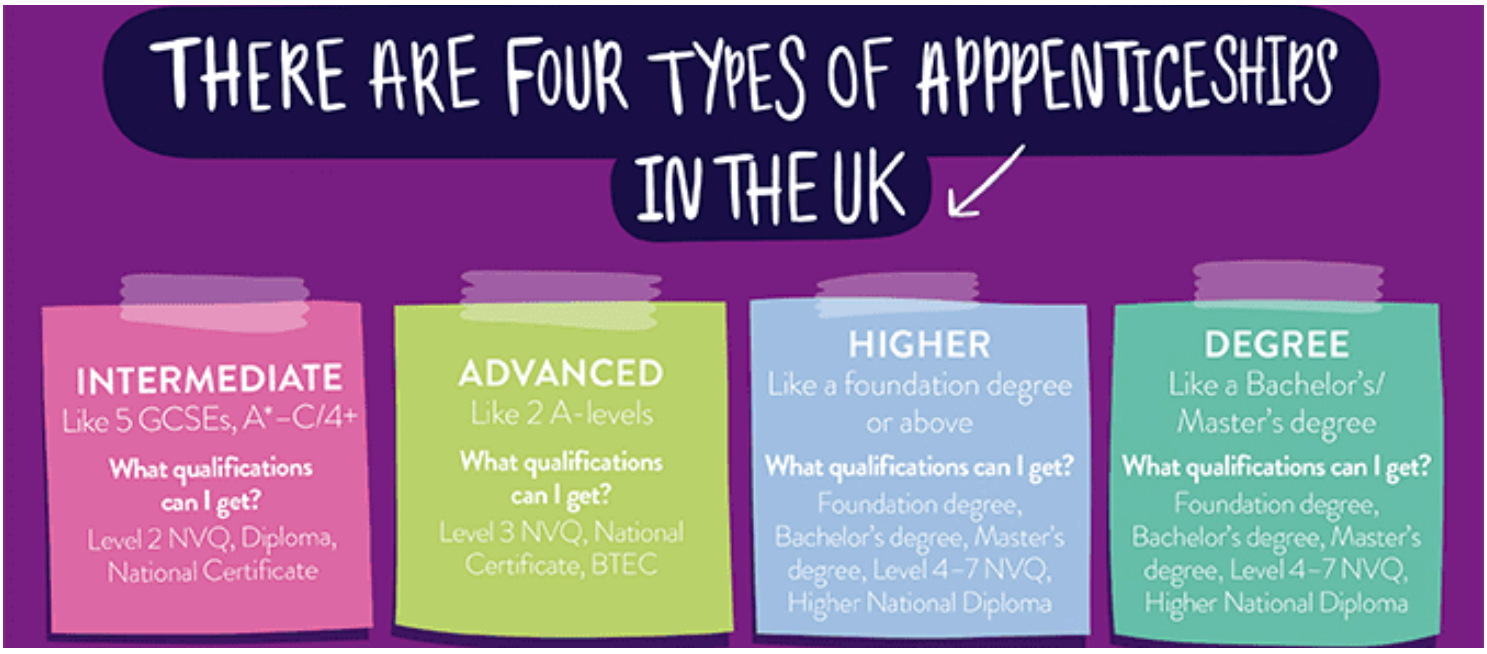
How many apprenticeship employers are you familiar with? In this game, logos are slowly revealed and as soon as you think you know which employer it is, hit the button!

Whack-a-Mole: Apprenticeship Application Process

In this game, there are lots of things that could be part of an apprenticeship application process, along with some things that probably wouldn't! Whack the moles holding the correct things!

Balloon Pop Game

In this game, we have split some apprenticeship roles in half. You have to pop the balloons and drop the apprenticeship halves into the wagon labelled with the matching halves!



www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship







Check out the latest parent & carer guide to apprenticeships and technical education. This would also be interesting for students.

Join Us for Harris Career Detectives

We are excited to announce that Harris CofE Academy will once again host our popular Career Detectives activity, and we need your help to make it a success! This engaging event is designed to inspire and inform our Year 7 students about a wide range of career pathways.

Date: Wednesday, 5 March 2024
Time: 11:20 AM – 1:20 PM (please arrive by 11:00 AM for setup and a briefing)

How It Works:
Volunteers will be stationed at tables around the room, and students (in groups of 4–5) will rotate between tables in a “speed networking” format. They’ll have a few minutes to ask you questions about your career, guess your occupation, and record their answers. At the end of the session, we’ll reveal the correct answers to the group.

Why Volunteer?
Share your career story and inspire the next generation.
Help students broaden their understanding of the working world.
Challenge stereotypes and encourage diverse career aspirations.
Refreshments will be provided to thank you for your time and support!

Who We’re Looking For:
We’re especially eager to welcome volunteers from non-traditional backgrounds or those who defy stereotypes in their professions. However, we are very keen to represent all industries.



How to Sign Up:
If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please get in touch:
Contact Name: Anna Wilson, Careers Adviser
Email: careers@harris.covmat.org



Careers Workshops

Our students had an incredible opportunity to participate in a vehicle design workshop led by Jaguar Land Rover. They gained valuable insights into the design process and explored the diverse careers within the automotive industry.

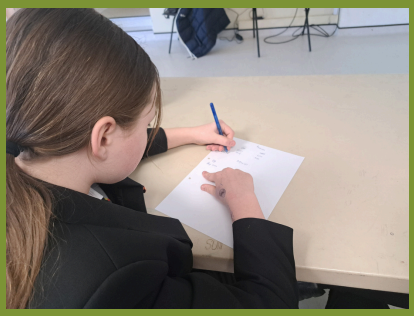


As proud members of the JLR Schools Partnership, we're thrilled to connect our students with innovative learning experiences that inspire future engineers and designers.

Find out more?

Visit Jaguar Land Rover's careers blog, focusing on the design sector. It shares employee experiences, including insights into creative roles, sustainability efforts, and professional growth within the company. The posts highlight opportunities in automotive design, graduate programs, and apprenticeships, emphasizing a supportive and innovative work environment.

For more details, visit: Jaguar Land Rover Careers Blog - Design.



Capital One

Capital One have delivered a careers and employability skills workshop to all Year 7 students. They were introduced to a variety of careers and pathways at Capital One. They also had a chance to develop employability skills such as networking and teamwork, also showing how the curriculum links to real world careers.









CAREERS DROP-IN

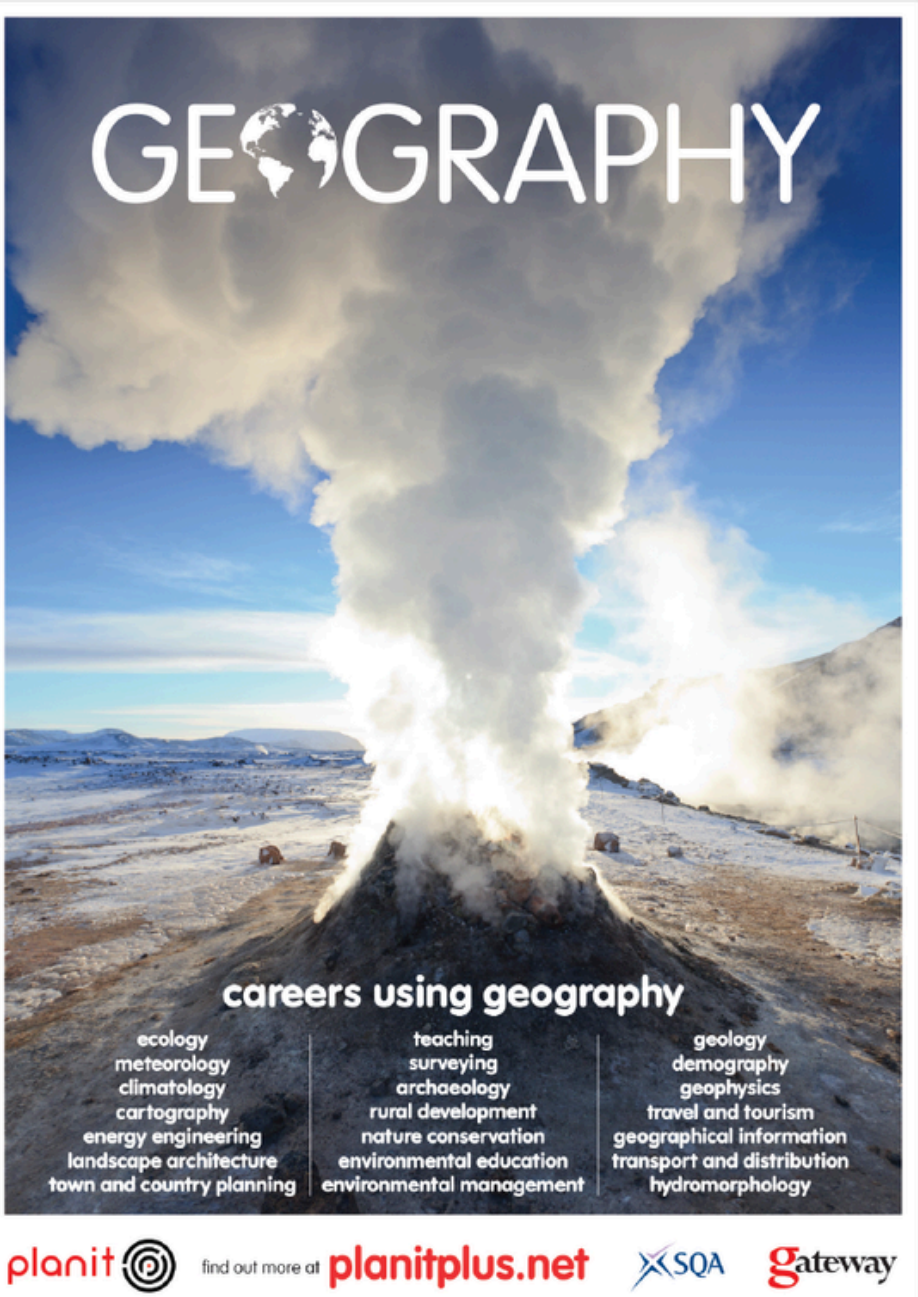
- Ask your careers questions
- Support with applications
- What to do after Year 11?
- Work experience help

Where? Library

When? Tuesday lunchtimes

careers@harris.covmat.org

Subject Spotlight: Geography





Why Study Geography?
13K views • 3 years ago
Cre8tive Resources
Great short video for showing students why they should **study Geography** Looking for more great Geography resources check out ...

WATCH NOW

Watch “Why Study Geography” on YouTube



Amazing Apprenticeships offers webinars for teachers, careers advisers, and parents, providing tips and information about apprenticeships. Each 30-60 minute session occurs on Zoom, requiring prior sign-up for email confirmation and reminders. Recorded sessions are shared with all registrants afterward.

Sign up here



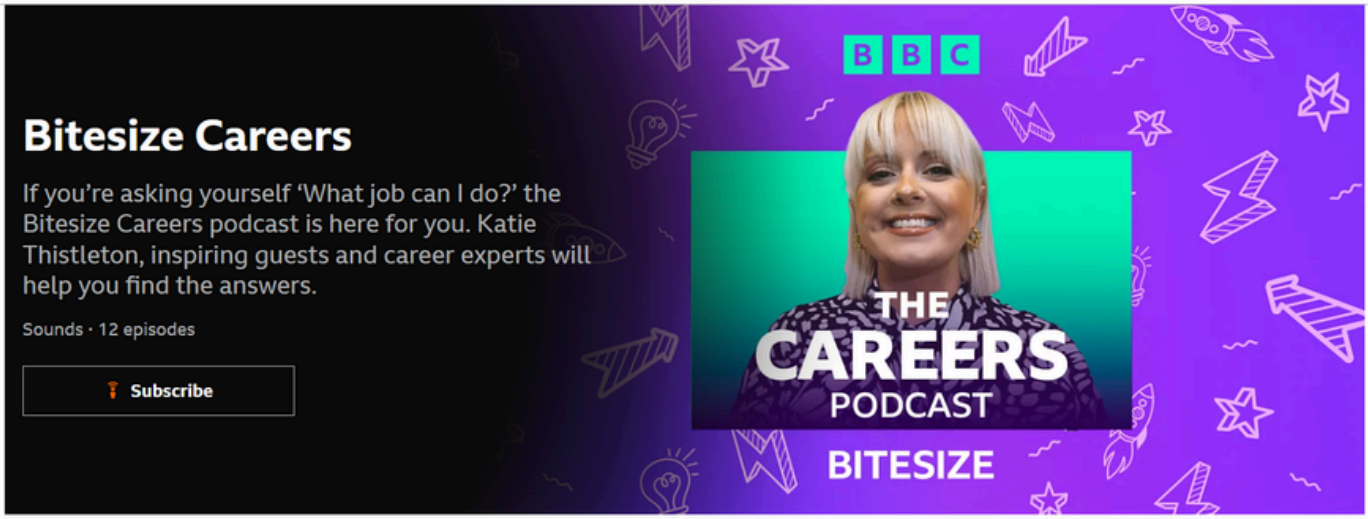


The **Royal National College for the Blind (RNC)** is the UK's leading specialist residential college for young people aged 16 to 25 who are blind or partially sighted.

RNC Open Day
Friday 31st January 2025, 10am to 4pm
Friday 4th April 2025, 10am to 4pm

RNC Activity Week
Tuesday 18th to Friday 21st February 2025

'Have a Go' Activity Weekend
Saturday 15th and Sunday 16th February 2025



COLLEGE OPEN EVENINGS

CHECK THE COLLEGE WEBSITES FOR MORE DETAILS



Moreton Morrell - 15 March 10am - 1pm

Leamington - 18 March 5.30 - 8pm

Warwick Trident - 20 March 5.30 - 8pm

Rugby - 25 March 5.30 - 8pm

Moulton - 15 March 9am - 12noon

Coventry - 11 March 5.15pm – 7pm

Stratford - 19 March 5pm - 7.30pm







Dr Charlotte Hart

NHS Doctor

Canterbury - Class Of 2017

Subjects studied at Harris

English Literature-9, English Language-8, Mathematics-8, Biology- A*, Chemistry-A*, Geography-A*, Religious Studies- A*, Drama-A*, Sociology-A*, Physics-A, French-A

Extra Curricular

LAMDA, National Theatre Connections, Christian Union, Duke of Edinburgh, Deputy Head Girl

After Harris

A Levels at Ashlawn School Sixth Form - A level- Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, Extended Project

University of Sheffield - MBChB- Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery with Honours

Currently working as a Doctor at George Eliot Hospital/ University Hospitals Coventry and Warwickshire

Future Ambition

To be a consultant in emergency medicine... but most importantly to be happy, healthy and enjoy spending time with family and friends!

Harris Alumni



Poster Project

We are producing posters to inspire our young people with career stories from ex-Harris students.

We would love to involve ex-students from a wide variety of backgrounds, pathways and careers.

To support us with this project, complete this form.

Google Forms



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