

## Welcome to the first Careers and Post 16/18 newsletter for students, parents and carers

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Hi everyone, my name is Dee Long, I am the Careers Leader here at NBA. My role is to help prepare all students for life outside NBA and to encourage them to think big and aim high. I believe any student can become anything they want to with the right advice, support and time.



## 1. NBA Sixth Form

In the last three years many students who attended our sixth form have gone on to amazing destinations on leaving NBA. Here are just few:

- **Oxford University** – Theology
- **University of Birmingham** – Medicine
- **University of Cardiff** – Midwifery
- **University of Liverpool** – Cyber Security and Artificial Intelligence
- **University of Warwick** – Politics and International Relations
- **Aston University** - Law

For September 2021 we have students holding offers from Cambridge, Imperial College London, Exeter, Warwick, Manchester, Sheffield, Newcastle, Westminster, Nottingham, Bristol, Leeds.

North Birmingham Academy Post 16 promotes individual excellence within a caring and supportive environment. We offer a broad curriculum which has a focus on academic A level and vocational BTEC and OCR National qualifications. Students are able to combine a selection of these qualifications in order to enhance their chances of academic and employment success, whilst making the most of their individual skills and talents.

Our sixth form students work hard to achieve strong examination results and we are extremely successful in working with students to achieve places in their chosen universities, training work placements or employment. In preparation for this, students will study subjects in far greater depth, whilst being more responsible for their learning and the direction of their studies. To support this, we offer a structured and understanding environment allowing students to flourish and develop independent learning skills; allowing them to be successful in their chosen route beyond Post 16.

To see the Post 16 Curriculum please click [here](#)

Applications are being taken for September 2021. Please click [here](#)

## 2. Post 16/18 Resources and Information

Solihull College	Virtual open events can be found: <a href="#">Here</a>
Birmingham Metropolitan College	Virtual open events can be found: <a href="#">Here</a>
Access to Creative College	Virtual open events can be found: <a href="#">Here</a>
Walsall College	Virtual open events can be found: <a href="#">Here</a>
Sandwell College/Central St Martins	Virtual open events can be found: <a href="#">Here</a>




### Year 11 and 13 Advice.

Students and parents/carers interested in an apprenticeship should read the latest Apprenticeship PDF Parent guide, attached. Click [here](#)

Students considering the apprenticeships route should look at the following apprenticeship website here: [Post 16/18 options](#)

The Birmingham Careers Service website includes a publications link with an array of useful resources. The link is: [Birmingham Careers Service](#)

It is important that for anyone considering this route they should have a college/sixth form back-up plan in case vacancies do not materialise.

	Apprenticeship opportunities within the creative sector. Creative, digital and marketing apprenticeship roles available.	School Leaver and Apprenticeship Opportunities: <a href="#">Click Here</a>
	<p>Sky News Virtual Open Day-27/08/21 open to all pupils aged 15 years old &amp; over 15. For students interested in a career in news – digital, TV or radio – Sky News is holding a virtual open day for 15–20-year-olds. Sky News staff will be talking about their jobs and holding a Q&amp;A.</p> <p>It will involve live tour of newsroom, on air gallery, studio and live location reporting with on air presenters, reporters, camera people, tv journalists, on-line, radio, behind the scenes teams and technical people talking through their roles as they are developing and broadcasting live news stories.</p>	<p>To book a place and join on-line: email here <a href="mailto:NewsDebates@Sky.uk">NewsDebates@Sky.uk</a></p> <p>Date of the event is 27.08.21</p>
	A free online festival to inspire people from all backgrounds to discover careers in one of the UK's fastest growing creative sectors – video games.	<p>26.03.21 - 2.04.21</p> <p><a href="https://gamescareersweek.org">https://gamescareersweek.org</a></p>

### 3. Apprenticeship and Employment Information

#### Apprenticeship and Training Providers – Open Now for Applications

**Gordon Franks Training** (Employability, Child Care, Health and Social Care, Retail, Warehouse Operatives, Construction, Motor Vehicle)

**NOVA Training** (Motor Vehicle, Construction, Child Care, Retail and Employment Skills)

**JTL Training Birmingham** (Electrics, Gas, Plumbing)

**The NVQ Training Centre** (Construction, Road Maintenance, Plumbing, Gas, Electrical Engineering)



#### Apprenticeship Roles with Kier Highways and Construction. Roles based in Birmingham March 2021

2021: Level 3 Business Administration Apprentice x 3 – Highways: Click [here](#)

2021: Level 3 Safety, Health and Environment Administration Apprentice: Click [here](#)

2021: Level 3 Structural Engineer Apprentice – Highways: Click [here](#)





## WE'RE HIRING APPRENTICES!



We are seeking driven and committed Apprentices who we believe are the future of our business in years to come. We are looking for candidates that can demonstrate enthusiasm and a willingness to learn. You will have a clear plan around your development and our award winning Apprenticeship Scheme has proved time and time again that developing our next generation of future Tradespeople is imperative to our growth plans.

**Sound like you?** If you are looking to kick start your career with a leading Property Solutions Provider and would like to become a Fortem Apprentice, we would love to hear from you.

## APPLY NOW!



Email  
[recruitment@fortem.co.uk](mailto:recruitment@fortem.co.uk)



Call  
01462 446220



Apply via  
[www.fortem.co.uk/opportunities](http://www.fortem.co.uk/opportunities)

We're currently recruiting for apprentices in the following areas:

### BIRMINGHAM

Carpentry  
Electrical  
Gas Engineering  
Roofing

### YORKSHIRE/DERBYSHIRE

Carpentry  
Electrical

### MANCHESTER

Carpentry  
Electrical

### STRATFORD UPON AVON

Carpentry  
Bricklaying  
Plastering  
Roofing

### SURREY

Carpentry  
Roofing  
Painting & Decorating

### SOUTH WEST

Carpentry  
Electrical

The closing date for applications is  
Friday 19th March 2021 and  
assessment centres will run in April.



### 4. Years 10 and 12 Work Experience

The impact of COVID-19 and lockdown has meant that NBA has made the decision to suspend work experience programme scheduled the week of March 26<sup>th</sup> 2021. A year 10 drop-down day is coming during the summer term.



Speakers for schools have partnered with some amazing companies to offer students virtual work experience. Students will need to register using their own school email address for the Experience portal via the following link: [by signing in/registering here](#)

Complete the full registration and once registered you will be able to view the latest available work experience opportunities and apply for them. Before applying, it is important that students ensure they read the information, research the company and answer the questions fully. You will be required to include a school email address as employers will require a reference. References will be completed by either Tutors or Heads of Year. In the first instance, please use the following email address: [Deborah.Long@E-ACT.org.uk](mailto:Deborah.Long@E-ACT.org.uk). **Please note that students are only allowed to apply for virtual work experience placements outside term dates only or after the school day has finished.**

Deadline: 31.3.21  
Students aged 14+

An opportunity for young people in the Birmingham area to work with the project team from Perry Barr Residential Scheme (PBRs). This will be through participating in a virtual week of learning, research and idea development regarding single use plastics.

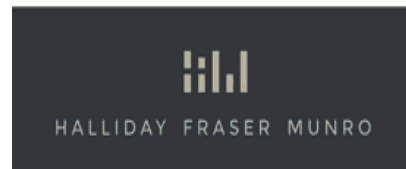


<https://www.s4snextgen.org/Opportunities/View/id/1290>

Halliday Fraser Munro is an award-winning design practice incorporating architectural services, urban design, master planning and a specialised planning consultancy team with offices in Aberdeen, Belfast, Dundee, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Leeds and London.

HFM's fantastic online work experience programme online will involve complete 2 tasks including designing a house for a celebrity.

This course is suitable for those in year 10 through to 12, it would be very beneficial to have a keen interest in architecture. This course can be completed in your own time and will not affect your curriculum learning. To find out more information click [Here](#)



Vet Mentor is part of the UK's largest medical family and are running a free live virtual work experience open to students in Year 10 and 11 in the UK wishing to pursue a career in veterinary medicine.



The virtual work experiences will take place every third Sunday of the Month. The first session will be held on Sunday 21st March. So, complete the application below if you're interested.

It will run for a 6-month period offering students 30 hours of valuable work experience. Please note, by completing the application you are committing to attend all 6 sessions. Places are limited and will be allocated based on the quality of the student's application.

If you are required to provide a school email address for a reference, please use the following email address:

[Deborah.Long@E-ACT.org.uk](mailto:Deborah.Long@E-ACT.org.uk). In the first instance, references will be completed by either Tutors or Heads of Year. For further information and to apply please click [Here](#)

## 5. STUDYING STEM



Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics To hear from university students about what studying a STEM subject at university is like click [here](#)

### Interested in the Behind the Scenes of Film, TV and Theatre?

**Birmingham Ormiston Academy (BOA)** is opening a new Stage & Screen Production Academy in September 2021. Be one of the first students to explore the creative, technical and administration/management side of the Film, TV and Theatre industries. For more information click [Here](#)



And finally... further careers information can be accessed via the Careers Education link on the school website <https://northbirminghamacademy.e-act.org.uk/student-support/careers-employability/> It includes a wealth of information which we add to on a regular basis. Students, parents and carers can email Mrs Long with any concerns or queries via email [Deborah.Long@E-ACT.org.uk](mailto:Deborah.Long@E-ACT.org.uk)