

Apprenticeships & Employment

What are your child's aspirations?

When I leave
school or college,
I want to...

Start working



Employment
Apprenticeships

Continue studying



Attend
university

A degree
while
working

Not sure?



Gap year?
Find out more!

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Ms Bertie, Employability Expert

Ms Bertie has joined the Sixth Form Collegiate Team to help coach and guide sixth form students in their approach to study, employment, apprenticeship applications, preparation for interviews and the world of work.

She read English Literature and Spanish at the **University of Hertfordshire**, with a year in Spain at the **Universidad de Granada**, completing her **PGCE** and qualifying as a teacher of English (11-18 years) at the **University of Bath**.

She has spent 20 years in various Graduate Recruitment & Development roles at some of the top Investment Banks in the City. She brings a wealth of knowledge and skills that will be shared with our sixth form students. Please find her on LinkedIn for more details. Her most recent role was as **Global Head of Graduate Recruitment for Barclays Investment Bank** in Canary Wharf.

Deutsche Bank 

NOMURA

 **BARCLAYS**





**The Leeds
Teaching Hospitals**
NHS Trust



Paints

SNASY Institute

The Siva Nadarajah Austrian Sports for Youth Institute



Dr Toogood

Dr Toogood's role in the Sixth Form Collegiate Team is to support all students with their future world of work career and employment preparation and goals - including those considering going straight into employment and apprenticeships or are not yet sure!

Studied **Chemistry** at Oxford University – followed by university based research

Business Management and Marketing in chemical and electronics industry (nearly 20 years)

Global Marketing and Strategy Director

Set up a Cricket Academy (abroad)

Teaching Assistant, PGCE then Maths teacher

4 and a bit different careers (+2 years in the NHS at Director level!)

**** Keep options open with the choices made and develop transferable skills****



SNASY
ACADEMY
Austria



So, which way now...?

If it is Employment:

- What industry or type of organisation are they interested in?
- Do they want to work locally in **Saffron Walden, Cambridge, Bishops Stortford etc**, or **London**?
- Consider commute/pay/pace of work
- What training do employers offer?
- **What skills do they look for** – do they match the skills they currently have or could develop?
- How could they **find out more** about what such work would be like?
- Is their CV up-to-date?
- Do they know where to look?
- How should they prepare for an interview?



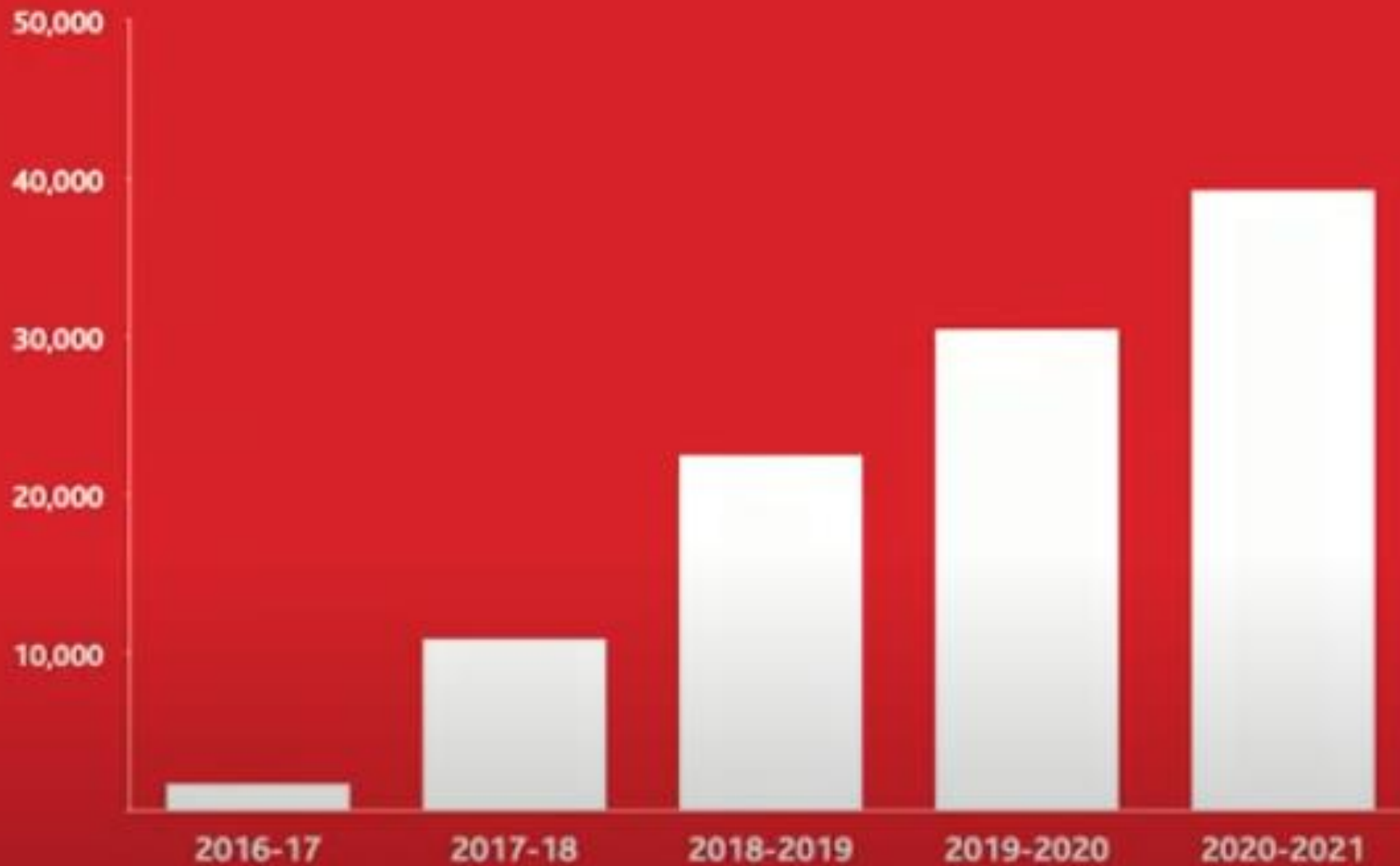


What about apprenticeships?

Quick reminder: what are they?

- ✓ **Earn and Learn**
- ✓ Work and train at the same time
- ✓ Gain **job-specific skills**
- ✓ Start to **build a network** in the workplace – hugely important
- ✓ Excellent promotion opportunities
- ✓ No tuition fees
- ✓ Be given time for study related to their role
- ✓ In some cases, you can gain a degree while working
- ✓ **Dual applications**

Number of New Degree Apprentices 2016-2021



Roughly 1 in 50 degree apprenticeships per university place – but most taken by current employees : ~5 - 10 % school leavers

New Degree Apprentices in 2021-2022

Sixth Form School-Leavers

DEGREE APPRENTICESHIP	NUMBER	DEGREE APPRENTICESHIP	NUMBER
Digital & Technology Solutions Professional	490	Aerospace Software Development Engineer	20
Accountancy or Taxation Professional	280	Architectural Assistant	20
Chartered Surveyor	250	Control Technical Support Engineer	20
Chartered Manager	210	Electrical or Electronic Technical Support Engineer	20
Police Constable	150	Financial Services Professional	20
Civil Engineer	140	Nuclear Scientist & Nuclear Engineer	20
Project Manager	100	Rail and Rail Systems Senior Engineer	20
Aerospace Engineer	80	Broadcast & Media Systems Engineer	10
Product Design & Development Engineer	80	Building Control Surveyor	10
Solicitor	70	Business to Business Sales Professional	10
Registered Nurse	60	Cyber Security Technical Professional	10
Laboratory Scientist	50	Digital User Experience Professional	10
Manufacturing Engineer	50	Environmental Practitioner	10
Digital Marketer	40	Food Industry Technical Professional	10
Supply Chain Leadership Professional	40	Healthcare Science Practitioner	10
Building Services Design Engineer	30	Materials Science Technologist	10
Data Scientist	30	Project Controls Professional	10
Electronic Systems Design & Development Engineer	30	Science Industry Process & Plant Engineer	10
Professional Economist	30		

Degree Apprenticeships

Level 6 Apprenticeships Currently Available

Aerospace engineer

Aerospace software development engineer

Agriculture or horticulture professional adviser

Architectural assistant

Assistant buyer & assistant merchandiser

Broadcast & media systems engineer

Building control surveyor

Building services design engineer

Building services engineering site management

Business to business sales professional

Career development professional

Chartered legal executive

Chartered manager

Chartered surveyor

Church minister

Civil engineer

Civil engineering site management

Clinical trials specialist

Construction quantity surveyor

Construction site management

Control technical support engineer

Creative digital design professional

Cyber security technical professional

Data scientist

100 different types of level 6 degree apprenticeships

Degree Apprenticeships

Level 6 Apprenticeships Currently Available

Design & construction management

Diagnostic radiographer

Dietitian

Digital & technology solutions professional

Digital marketer

Digital user experience (UX) professional

Electrical or electronic technical support engineer

Electro-mechanical engineer

Embedded electronic systems engineer

Enhanced clinical practitioner

Environmental health practitioner

Environmental practitioner

Express delivery manager

Financial services professional

Fire safety engineer

First officer pilot

Food & drink advanced engineer

Food industry technical professional

Forensic collision investigator

Geospatial mapping & science specialist

Harbour master

Healthcare science practitioner

Improvement leader

Laboratory scientist

Degree Apprenticeships

Level 6 Apprenticeships Currently Available

Licensed conveyancer

Manufacturing engineer

Manufacturing manager

Marine surveyor

Marketing manager

Materials science technologist

Midwife

Non-destructive testing engineer

Nuclear reactor desk engineer

Nuclear scientist & nuclear engineer

Occupational therapist

Operating department practitioner

Ordnance munitions & explosives professional

Packaging professional

Paramedic

Physiotherapist

Podiatrist

Police constable

Product design & development engineer

Professional arboriculturist

Professional economist

Professional forester

Project controls professional

Project manager

Degree Apprenticeships

Level 6 Apprenticeships Currently Available

Prosthetist & orthotist

Psychological wellbeing practitioner

Public health practitioner

Rail & rail systems senior engineer

Registered nurse

Registrar (creative & cultural)

Retail leadership

Science industry process & plant engineer

Senior & head of facilities management

Senior compliance & risk specialist

Senior insurance professional

Serious & complex crime investigator

Social worker

Sonographer

Speech & language therapist

Supply chain leadership professional

Teacher

Therapeutic radiographer

Tool process design engineer

Transport planner

VFX artist or technical director

Youth worker

What can you do an apprenticeship in?

Plumbing and heating
Care worker
Chef
Paralegal
Midwife
Civil engineer
Paramedic
Border forces
Beauty
Therapist
Recruitment
Software developer
Tree surgeon
Accounting
Actuary
Social worker
Estate Agent
Mortgage Advisor
Tax
Gas Engineer
Solicitor
Digital marketer
Dental nurse
Veterinary Nurse
Hospitality manager
Journalism
Sports coach
Chartered surveyor
Laboratory Scientist
Train driver
Butcher
Fashion
Watchmaking
Audit
Cabin Crew
Digital Engineering technician

Almost anything!!

What are the different types of apprenticeships?



NAME	LEVEL	EQUIVALENT
Intermediate	2	5 GCSE passes at grade A*– C or 9 – 4
Advanced	3	2 A level passes/Level 3 Diploma/ International Baccalaureate
Higher	4, 5, 6 and 7	Foundation degree and above
Degree	6 and 7	Bachelor's or master's degree

What have students at SWCHS gone on to do?

Students at SWCHS have successfully secured apprenticeships in the following:

JP Morgan – Investment Banking apprenticeship (higher level apprenticeship)

HSBC – Asset Management (degree level apprenticeship)

Bank of Australia (advanced level apprenticeship)

Grant Thornton – Tax & Audit (degree level apprenticeship)

NHS – Occupational Therapy (higher level apprenticeship), nuclear medicine (degree level apprenticeship)

BBC – Digital Marketing (degree level apprenticeship)

Ernst & Young – Professional Services / Accountancy (degree level apprenticeship)

AstraZeneca – Bio-Analysis (degree level apprenticeship)

Armed Forces – Army, Navy and RAF – (higher and degree level apprenticeships)

Police Force – Metropolitan Police Force and Cambridge Constabulary -(degree level)

MOD – Defence, Equipment & Support Advanced Engineering (foundation degree level)

Cambridge Regional College – Business with Law, Beauty and Hairdressing apprenticeships (Intermediate/advanced level apprenticeships)

Local gardening companies (advanced level apprenticeships)

Where to start looking?



















- **Unifrog** – <https://www.unifrog.org/> - highly recommended - S
- <https://successatschool.org/> – explore the Career Zones sections to find out more about particularly sectors - C
- <https://www.findapprenticeships.co.uk/> - a search tool to help you find apprenticeships in any area and location - S
- <https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship> - find apprenticeships – has a lot of opportunities here too. - S
- <https://www.ucas.com/apprenticeships-uk> **UCAS** website – a whole section dedicated to apprenticeships – find out information and opportunities - S & C
- Google/Jobs- [degree apprenticeships in Cambridgeshire \(google.co.uk\)](https://www.google.co.uk/search?q=degree+apprenticeships+in+Cambridgeshire) – daily searchable opportunities - S
- Multiverse – a portal for apprenticeships. [Multiverse | Start your career](#) - have their own degrees – S & C
- Rate my Apprenticeship - a portal where apprenticeships have been rated by students [Apprenticeships, School Leaver Jobs & Reviews | RateMyApprenticeship | Apprenticeships | RateMyApprenticeship](#) – S & C
- **Careers Apps** – we will share opportunities about the latest vacancies in the appropriate channel in the Careers Apps Team

All will require **searching on the employers website** – for the best, most complete information – and often to apply!

S = good for searching / C = good for back ground information

So, how can help you and your child?

Remember - Unifrog stands for 'universal' not 'university'

	Intermediate (3) Equivalent to GCSEs	Advanced (0) Equivalent to A-levels	Higher / Degree (12) Equivalent to Foundation / Bachelor's
<div>UK universities</div> <div>Make your first choice</div> <div>Start ></div>	<div>  Finance Apprentice <div>  Adcock Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Ltd <div>Distance: 10 miles</div> </div> </div>		<div>  KPMG360° <div>  KPMG <div>Distance: 13 miles</div> </div> </div>
	<div>  Finance Apprentice <div>  Herts & Essex Multi Academy Trust <div>Distance: 11 miles</div> </div> </div>		<div>  School and College Leavers - Assurance <div>  PWC <div>Distance: 15 miles</div> </div> </div>
	<div>  Trainee Accountancy Apprentice <div>  Hbas Ltd <div>Distance: 20 miles</div> </div> </div>		<div>  Level 7 Professional Accountant Apprenticeship (Master's degree) <div>  aknlabs <div>Distance: 15 miles</div> </div> </div>
<div>Oxbridge</div> <div>Make your first choice</div> <div>Start ></div>			<div>  School and college leaver Audit - Cambridge <div>  PwC <div>Distance: 15 miles</div> </div> </div>
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<div>Irish universities</div> <div>Make your first choice</div> <div>Start ></div>			<div>  ACA Apprenticeship <div>  BDO <div>Nationwide</div> </div> </div>

You will now be able to access Unifrog with your own parental code (as outlined in last week's letter home)

The Options Available Post-SWCHS

- Undergraduate Degree
- Employment
- Higher Apprenticeships (1-5 years, college or training provider alongside employer)
- Degree Apprenticeships (3-6 years, college or university alongside employer)
- Gap Year (before any of the above)

Dual Applications = Remember you can pursue more than one of these at the same time!



What support does SWCHS offer?

- **Careers Apps** – an online 'Team' providing students with targeted daily updates and opportunities, and careers advice and support
- **Weekly support sessions** – Wednesday Period 5. This will focus on interview preparation, application guidance, CV support and effective job / apprenticeship research
- **Individual and group careers guidance discussions** with our external provider 'Form the Future'
- **Ongoing support from Ms Bertie & Dr Toogood** our Careers & Employability Experts in the Sixth Form Collegiate, who will help students prepare for interviews, submit applications, explore employment opportunities.
- **Sector specific mentors** – support from members of staff and external contacts who have worked in different areas, e.g banking, finance, fashion, retail, physio, electronics, marketing, drama etc.

Degree Apprenticeships: Live event / catch up on demand: 27th April 2:00-3:30pm

Graduate Careers Live! is a new twice-yearly 90-minute TV programme, introducing **sixth form students**, their **parents**, and **schools' careers & university admissions staff** to the graduate job market.

Broadcasting from a studio in central London, the April programme is specifically aimed at **Year 12 students & their parents** and will showcase many of the job opportunities, occupations and professions that sixth form students can aspire to in the future.

It will provide inspiration, information and practical careers guidance on how university – or one of the growing number of degree apprenticeships – can lead to ambitious, rewarding careers in areas like **engineering, technology, banking & finance, law, accountancy**, the **media** and the **public sector**.

[Graduate Careers Live!](#)