

THE SIXTH

9-13 February 2026

THIS WEEK...

NATIONAL
APPRENTICESHIP
WEEK

SOLICITOR TALK

Myerson Solicitors will be in Sixth Form on **Thursday 12th February** to deliver a talk on applying for Solicitor Degree Apprenticeships in Altrincham. See p.5 for full details. Students should book their place by emailing Mrs Hughes lhughes@lymmhigh.org.uk

UNIVERSITY FINANCE

An online Information, Advice and Guidance evening on this subject will be held for parents and carers on **Tuesday 24th March** at 7pm. A link will be sent nearer the time.

YEAR 12 PARENTS' EVENING

Year 12 Parents Evening on **Thursday 12th March** will be held in school. Students must attend with their parent / carer. This is an essential and important opportunity to discuss progress, set clear expectations and plan effectively for the crucial year ahead. More information will follow.

DOUGHNUT DAY

PTA Doughnuts will be on sale during breaktime on **Wednesday 11th February**. All funds raised will go towards the Hall Together campaign.

ILC CLOSURE

Please note that the ILC will be closed for the whole day on **Tuesday 10th February** as there will be vaccinations taking place. This means that the photocopier will also not be accessible on that day.

TELL
US!



WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK



Please [click here](#) to view the Assessment calendar, which includes key dates for the year ahead.

CALENDAR 9-13 February 2026

DAY	YEAR 12	YEAR 13	OTHER EVENTS
MONDAY	Monday reset – <i>The Sixth</i>	Monday reset – <i>The Sixth</i>	
TUESDAY	Life Programme – Relationships (see p.8)	Life Programme – Leaving home (see p.8)	Careers Advisor
WEDNESDAY	Children's Mental Health Week Activity	Mock Revision opportunity	 Doughnut Day!
THURSDAY	Assembly – National Apprenticeship Week	National Apprenticeship Week task	Myerson's Apprenticeship talk (see p.5)
FRIDAY	Search for Apprenticeships in your area	Mock exam etiquette	Deadline for logging work experience on Unifrog (see p.7)

NEWS



National Apprenticeship Week

Support for Students and Parents



- We have a dedicated Careers Advisor working with our Sixth Form students. Please email Mr N. Brown for an appointment (nbrown@lymmhigh.org.uk).
- If you'd like to find out more about apprenticeships and how they could be a pathway after Sixth Form, there is lots of free support available. The [National Careers Service](#) offers impartial advice on apprenticeship routes and career planning.
- Students and parents can also explore live vacancies, application guidance, and parent-specific advice on the [government's official website](#).
- For additional insights, employer information and parent guides, visit [Rate My Apprenticeship](#).

These resources can help students make informed decisions about their next steps and understand how apprenticeships compare with other post-18 options.

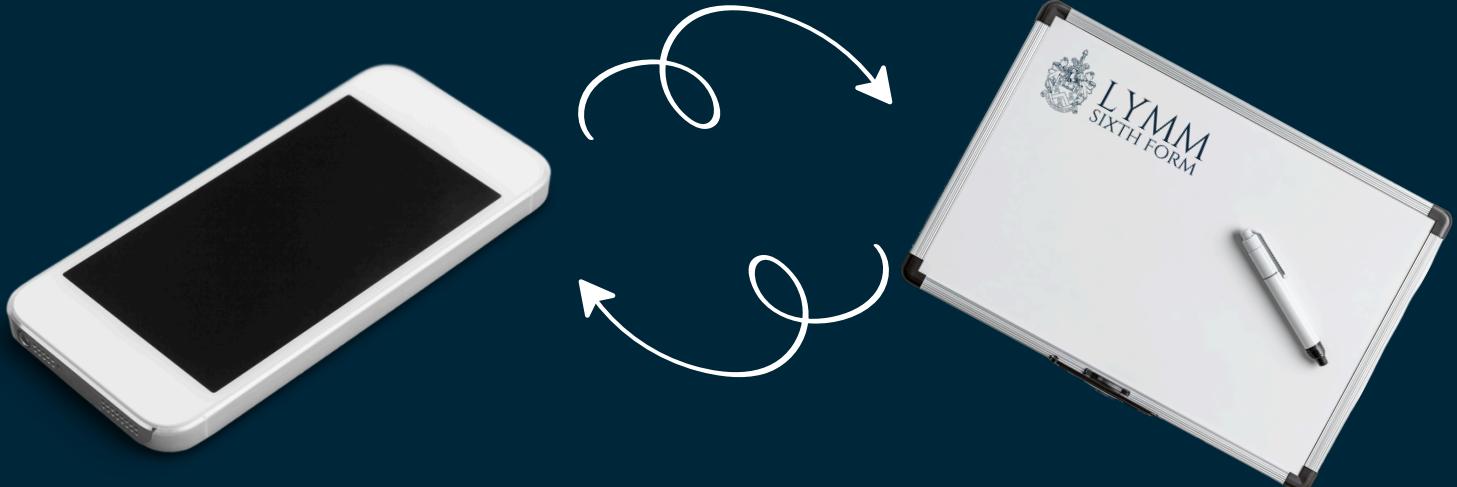


BIRTHDAYS

N. Baker	E. Lewis
E. Cawley	W. Perry
J. Cooke	H. Wilce
E. Dobson	N. Wilce
C. Hardie	E. Wynne-Roberts
H. Hartshorn	
B. Jones	



SIXTH FORM PHONE SWAP



Swap your
phone

For a
whiteboard

at the Sixth Form desk
for 1 hour / full free
period (minimum).

Get a Freddo or Lollipop
with your phone when
you switch back!

WIN-WIN!

- Remove the distraction
of your phone
- Revise / brainstorm





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SOLICITOR DEGREE APPRENTICESHIPS



Myerson Solicitors

Altrincham

www.myerson.co.uk



Commercial Property



Corporate Law



Banking Services



Commercial Property



Dispute Resolution



Employment Law

★ INFORMATION TALK

- Lauren Brayshaw – Solicitor Apprentice
and Ex-Lymm Student

Y12 and Y13 Students are invited to attend to learn
about Solicitor Apprenticeships with Myerson.

THURS 12TH FEB 2026
1.25PM - 2.05PM
N206

Email Mrs Hughes to book your place
lhughes@lymmhigh.org.uk



REMINDERS

DONT FORGET TO:

YEAR 13 UCAS

A reminder that the equal opportunities deadline has now passed. Students previously received an assembly about how to make decisions on course offers. [Click here](#) to see guidance on the UCAS website about how to make decisions. Students can track their offers in their UCAS hub. [Click here](#) to read information about how 'track' works.

YEAR 13 MOCK EXAMS

A reminder of the letter sent to Year 13 parents and carers about the upcoming mock exams can be [found here](#).

YEAR 12 WORK EXPERIENCE

All students should have their work placement logged on Unifrog by no later than **Friday 13th February**. Please see p.7 for information and support finding placements.

SIXTH FORM DRIVERS

If you wish to use the Sixth Form car park, your car must be registered with school [here](#). Please always drive carefully, keeping to the 5mph speed limit. Be especially mindful of pedestrians at the zebra crossing and ensure you park considerately so the space can be used safely by everyone.

UNIFROG PARENT ACCOUNTS

All Sixth Form parents and carers have now had parental accounts activated on Unifrog. [Click here](#) to read the letter sent on Class Charts this week. [Click here](#) to see how Unifrog can support your child's career decisions.

SAVE THE DATE

The Year 13 Prom will be held on **Thursday 9th July** at Statham Lodge Hotel. More details will follow after the February half-term break.

WORK EXPERIENCE



YEAR 12

Support finding and logging work experience

- **Unifrog Logging**

[Click here](#) to add your placement on Unifrog.

All students should have their work placement logged on Unifrog by no later than **Friday 13th February**.



- **Work experience placements**

[Click here](#) to apply for Work experience opportunities held with Mrs Hughes.

- **Database of ideas**

[Click here](#) for a database of ideas for work experience within 5 miles of Lymm. Come and speak with Mrs Hughes if interested in any of these.

- **Futures For All**

[Click here](#) to access Futures for all and find work experience opportunities.

To read the Work Experience letter sent to parents and carers, please [click here](#).



WORK IN PROGRESS



LIFE PROGRAMME



Our next Extended Life Programme session is on **Tuesday 10th February**.

Year 12 - *Boundaries, ending and improving relationships*

As part of our PSHE programme, Year 12 students will take part in a session focusing on ending relationships in a healthy, respectful and emotionally aware way. The session will explore communication skills, managing emotions, setting boundaries and understanding how to seek support when relationships change or come to an end. This content is age-appropriate and aims to support students' wellbeing as they navigate personal relationships and prepare for life beyond school. Students will be encouraged to reflect thoughtfully, and support will be available should any issues arise.

Year 13 - *Leaving home and the Law*

Year 13 students will take part in a session focused on developing practical skills for leaving home. The session will cover topics such as independence, managing responsibilities, wellbeing, and knowing how to access support when transitioning to university, employment or other post-18 pathways. This session is designed to help students feel confident and prepared for the next stage of their lives beyond school.



REVISION



YEAR 13

Revision Support Sessions

The following Revision Support Sessions are already up and running.

SESSION	STAFF	TIME	VENUE
MONDAY			
Further Maths	AQU	1.15pm	S207
TUESDAY			
English Literature	JDC	1.15pm	A119
English Literature (13C)	LME	1.15pm	S205
Maths	AQU	1.15pm	S206
WEDNESDAY			
English Literature (13A) week A	CHR	1.15pm	A117
Geography (Human)	JKI	1.15pm	N206
History (USA knowledge boost)	BWI	1.15pm	A201
THURSDAY			
Biology	KED	3.10pm	E307
Economics	KHI	1.15pm	S106
English Literature (13A) week B	CHR	1.15pm	A117
History (India)	NDO	1.15pm	A204
Sociology	JED	1.15pm	S109
FRIDAY			
Chemistry week A	ACO	11.15am	E313
Chemistry week B	ACO	9.45am	E313
History (USA exam)	BWI	1.15pm	A201
Media	RDO	1.15pm	B206



EXAMS

YEAR 13



The Year 13 Mock exams will take place during the week commencing **23rd February**.
The timetable is below.

	Morning	Afternoon
Monday 23rd February	Music Tech Paper 1 History Paper 1 Physics	German Writing Business Dance
Tuesday 24th February	English Literature Theatre Further Maths Paper 1 Biology Paper 1	History Paper 2 Chemistry Paper 1 Music Tech Paper 2 Geography Paper 1
Wednesday 25th February	English Language Chemistry Paper 2 German Listening/Reading/Translating French Listening/Reading/Writing	PE Economics R.S Paper 1
Thursday 26th February	Media Biology Paper 2 Further Maths paper 2	Spanish Listening/Reading/Writing Psychology Maths Paper 1
Friday 27th February	Geography Paper 2 French Writing R.S Paper 2	Maths Paper 2 Sociology Spanish Writing

Exam Etiquette

To ensure exams run smoothly, students must arrive 15 minutes before the scheduled start time:

- Morning exams: Arrive at 8.30am for an 8.45am start
- Afternoon exams: Arrive at 12.45pm for a 1.00pm start

Mobile phones must be switched off completely (not on 'Do Not Disturb') and stored as instructed. Students must also ensure they bring all required equipment to each exam.



EXAMS

YEAR 13



Study Leave

Study leave will begin on **Monday 23rd February** and end on **Friday 27th February**.

During this time, most lessons will not run, and there will be no Form Time or Supervised Study Periods in the Upper Hex.

Coursework Subjects – Alternative Arrangements

Students studying the following subjects should note the different arrangements during study leave week:

BTEC Sport	CTEC ICT	Art
Photography	BTEC Fashion	3D Design
	BTEC Business	BTEC Health and Social Care

- Lessons will continue as normal throughout the study leave period.
- Students must attend their timetabled lessons unless they clash with an exam.
- If a student has an exam in the afternoon, they are permitted to miss timetabled lessons in the morning in order to prepare and revise.
- Where a morning lesson is missed due to an afternoon exam, students must check with their subject teacher in advance and follow instructions regarding catch-up work, homework or independent study.

Academic Support Plan Students – Alternative Arrangements

Students who are currently on Academic Support Plans will not be on study leave and must attend Sixth Form throughout this period. These students:

- Must attend school every day from 8.25am to 3.10pm.
- Must sign in and out at the Sixth Form desk each period.
- Will study in their allocated study rooms with a member of staff.
- Do not need to attend Form Time or other lessons (as these will not be running)unless they study one of the coursework subjects listed above.

We would like to thank Parents / carers in advance for their support in ensuring that students follow the arrangements that apply to them during the study leave period.

FUTURES

OPPORTUNITIES



University of Chester Revision Sessions

A' Level revision workshops are available in a range of subjects from the University of Chester. The Outreach Team will also be offering generic sessions alongside these subject-themed events.

- **General Revision Skills**
2nd or 26th March at 4.30pm
- **Dance Choreography workshop**
25th February, 1pm onwards
- **Law**
4th or 18th March, 5–6pm
- **Physics**
11th March, 4.30–6pm
- **Chemistry**
9th or 10th April, 10–3pm
- **English**
31st March, 9.30–3.30pm
- **Psychology**
20th April, 4.30–5.30pm
- **History**
20th April, 11.30–12.30pm
- **Business**
27th April, 4.30–6pm

For more information, visit the website [here](#).

A photograph of a woman in a red t-shirt and lanyard standing in front of a whiteboard with handwritten revision tips. The text on the whiteboard includes: "Easier", "Plan ahead", "Don't panic", "Get organised", "Ask for help", "Breaks", "Stay positive", "Resilience", "Top tips for exams", "Time management", "Work-life balance", "Boundaries", and "All about you".

A level Revision and Study Courses



Year 12 MSC and DSC summer schools

The MSC and DSC summer schools give students a valuable opportunity to explore healthcare education through interactive teaching, practical activities and tailored application support. These programmes help young people build confidence, develop key skills, and gain insight into what studying dentistry or medicine is really like.

Summer schools in dentistry are being delivered by:

- University of Liverpool residential, 20–23rd July
- Newcastle University residential, 7–10th July
- University of Plymouth two programmes available: residential (6–9th July) and online (13–15th July)
- Queen Mary University of London and King's College London in person, launch (15th July) and follow-up (*September and November*) events online

An online medicine summer school programme is being delivered by the MSC:

- MSC Online Medical Summer School, 7–9th July
- Students will take part in simulated university-style teaching and hands-on learning activities.
- Learn about the values and behaviours expected of dental and medical students, dentists, and doctors.
- Explore a wide range of career pathways, including clinical specialties and non-patient-facing roles.
- Build confidence through structured activities and connect with peers and academic staff.
- Receive guidance on applications, admissions tests and interviews.
- Join social activities and develop a supportive community with others considering healthcare careers.



FUTURES OPPORTUNITIES

Social and political sciences taster day

Wednesday 25th March, 9.30–2.30pm

The 'Changing World and its Global Challenges' is a free subject taster day for Year 12 and 13 students. It will consist of exhibitions, campus tours and subject talks.

- Explore pressing global issues
- Learn more about career paths that address international societal challenges
- Take part in engaging sessions

The day will run from the University of Chester's Exton Park campus.

To book to attend, click [here](#).



CAREERS

In Cheshire and Warrington, the industry sectors that are growing include life science, digital & technology, logistics & distribution, energy, zero carbon and clean growth. Find out more [here](#).

Key sectors with significant levels of employment are: chemicals, manufacturing & engineering, finance & business services, and health & social care.



Our [careers website](#) includes a [calendar of events](#), [labour market information](#) and a link to [Unifrog](#).

Upcoming Events

- **Get Into Law Virtual Work Experience Evening**
Monday 9th February, 5–6.30pm (Zoom)
- **In-person insight event with Forvis Mazars**
Manchester, Monday 9th February, 5–7pm
- **Unifrog Apprenticeship Fair**
Wednesday 11th February
- **Careers with Zurich Insurance**
11–12th February, 10–2pm
- **Apprenticeship and Jobs Fair**
Warrington, Thursday 12th February
- **Business, Finance and Accounting careers**
Thursday 12th February, 5–6.30pm (Zoom)
- **Explore the STEM world of defence & technology**
16–18th February 2026, 10–3pm (Teams)
- **Curious about a career in policing?**
Wednesday 18th February, 1.30–2.30pm (Teams)
- **Tech-driven retail careers**
Thursday 19th February, 10–12.30pm (virtual)
- **Clifford Chance work experience**
Thursday 19th February, 10–3pm

For details of all these events and more, [click here](#).

CAREERS



CTM Pathway

Events, Opportunities and Apprenticeship Vacancies

The CTM Pathway website has a range of events, opportunities, work experience and apprenticeship vacancies for you to pursue. You can register for a free account, access free events and more.

- **Sign up to Pathway Careers, Training and Mentorship Service**

Please fill in [this form](#) to sign-up for access to the Pathway CTM Programme and receive email alerts about events, job applications and work experience opportunities.

- **Current Degree Apprenticeship vacancies**

Of particular interest for Year 13 students are current Degree Apprenticeship vacancies, including with companies, such as Barclays, Lloyds, KPMG and Forvis Mazars. For information, [click here](#).

- **Current events**

In addition, there is a wealth of events taking place [found here](#).



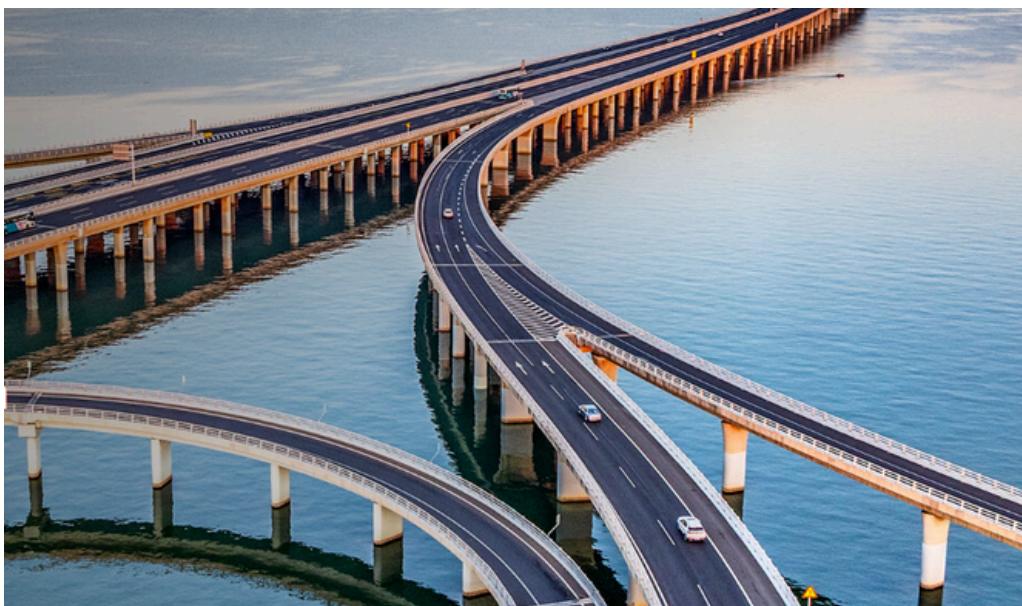
Clifford Chance virtual work experience

Thursday 19th February, 10–3pm (Zoom)

Whether you're considering a solicitor apprenticeship or exploring the traditional university route, this exclusive Clifford Chance Virtual Work Experience Day is your chance to gain first-hand exposure to the legal world during February half term. This 1-day virtual programme is designed to help ambitious students develop key legal skills, learn from leading solicitors, and understand the different pathways into the legal profession.

- Law work experience is rare – secure this now to strengthen your future applications
- Explore Clifford Chance's practice areas and take part in interactive legal case studies.
- Practical workshops to develop your legal skills
- Learn about the ACCESS & SPARK Programmes on offer – a direct route into law with Clifford Chance
- Advice from professionals on securing top legal opportunities
- Boost your applications for law programmes and university with real experience
- Certificate of completion at the end to use on CVs, applications and LinkedIn

To register, and secure your place, [click here](#).



CAREERS



Medical and dental work experience

This month, students have the opportunity to delve into Critical and Intensive Care in Medicine or New Patient Presentations in Dentistry. This programme can be completed flexibly in students' own time. Students can choose between medicine or dentistry work experience sessions and join for free below:

- [Aspiring doctors](#)
- [Aspiring dentists](#)



The first step to access their virtual work experience is to attend a conference where they can speak to doctors and dentists LIVE to kickstart their virtual work experience. Attending a Get Into Medicine or Get Into Dentistry conference will grant them immediate access to the Virtual Work Experience programmes:

For aspiring Doctors, the free Get Into Medicine conference dates are:

- **Saturday 7th February**, 9-1.30pm
- **Sunday 22nd February**, 9-1.30pm

To register, [click here](#).

For aspiring Dentists, the free Get Into Dentistry conference date is:

- **Sunday 1st March**, 9-1.30pm

To register, [click here](#).

Throughout these conferences, students will have the opportunity to interact directly with doctors, dentists, and medical and dental students. They'll gain crucial information on deciding if a career in dentistry or medicine is for them, and how to make a competitive application to study at university.

Students are invited to attend with a parent or carer, equipped with a working camera and microphone.

APPRENTICESHIPS

Key Apprenticeship Links

- [Current apprenticeships in the Warrington area](#)
- [Higher & Degree Apprenticeship Vacancies - October 2024](#)
- [Cheshire and West Apprenticeship Opportunities](#)
- [Search for an apprenticeship – GOV.UK](#)
- [A Guide to Traineeships and Apprenticeships - Lymm Sixth Form](#)
- [Not Going To Uni - Search for Opportunities](#)
- [Liverpool John Moores University - Apprenticeships Courses](#)
- [Manchester Metropolitan University - Become A Degree Apprentice](#)
- [Apprenticeships | University of Salford](#)
- [Programmes - Apprenticeships - The University of Manchester](#)
- [Search apprenticeships | UCAS](#)
- [NHS Apprenticeships](#)
- [Linkedin - Degree Apprenticeships](#)

Need More Help?

Our Careers Advisor, Ms Draper, is available for one-on-one support. Contact Mr Brown at Sixth Form Student Services to book an appointment (nbrown@lymmhigh.org.uk).

Register for New Degree Apprenticeship Alerts:

- [Indeed](#)
- [Total Jobs](#)
- [Rate My Apprenticeship](#)
- [Prospects](#)

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APPRENTICESHIP FAIR

Wednesday 11 February 4pm - 6pm



Join our virtual fair to learn all
about the world of apprenticeships.



scan
here to
sign up

Get your questions answered by the experts.
Join live sessions with employers from across the
UK and speak directly to their representatives to
achieve your dream apprenticeship!

APPRENTICESHIPS

Apprenticeship spotlight

Apprentice Graphic Designer

Balfour Beatty

Company: Balfour Beatty

Qualification: Level 6 (Degree)

Location: Warrington

As a Graphic Design Apprentice, you'll help create clear, engaging visuals that support communications across Balfour Beatty. Working alongside designers and colleagues in the Communications function, you'll use creativity and problem-solving to turn ideas into effective digital and print materials. This hands-on role give you the chance to contribute to real project and build a strong, practical portfolio as you grow and develop your design skills.

For further details, and to apply, [click here](#).



APPRENTICESHIPS

Warrington Apprenticeship and Jobs Fair

Thursday 12th February, 5–8pm

Now in its 12th year, this free event takes place during National Apprenticeship Week. The fair is open to everyone, regardless of where you are in your career planning. Tickets are going fast so please book on quickly. The evening will include:

- Stands from local employers offering live apprenticeships and job opportunities, or planning to recruit during 2026.
- A series of short presentations throughout the evening, offering insight into different sectors and pathways.

For Year 12 students, this is an excellent opportunity to:

- Start thinking ahead to options after Year 13
- Explore different industries and career pathways
- Speak directly to employers and ask questions about entry routes, qualifications and skills
- Make early connections that could support applications next year
- Even if you are planning to stay in education, attending can really help clarify ideas and build confidence.

For Year 13 students who are considering going straight into work or an apprenticeship this summer, this event is particularly important:

- Employers will be offering current vacancies and upcoming opportunities
- You can have meaningful, face-to-face conversations that may lead directly to applications
- It is a chance to explore alternatives if plans have changed or are still uncertain

This is a valuable opportunity for Sixth Form students to explore next steps, gain real insight into the local labour market, and feel more confident about future choices.

A reminder that the Sixth Form team are happy to support Year 13 students with applications and mock interview practice for specific roles they are applying for, please let Mrs Hughes know (lhughes@lymmhigh.org.uk)

[Click here](#) to book free tickets.

APPRENTICESHIPS

Warrington Apprenticeship and Jobs Fair



Apprenticeship and Jobs Fair for Warrington

**The Engine Rooms at Birchwood Park
Thursday 12th February, 17:00-20:00**

If you are a job seeker, seeking an apprenticeship, looking for a change in direction, or just keeping your options open, come along to The Pledge Apprenticeship and Jobs Fair for Warrington. This event, taking place during National Apprenticeship Week, is free and everyone is welcome, no matter what stage you are at in your career.

All our exhibitors are local employers with either live job vacancies or apprenticeships, or will be recruiting in 2026.

[Click here now to register
and confirm your place](#)

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UCAS



To view the latest online University events, [click here](#).

These are listed in chronological order and include Open Days (in-person and virtual), online chats and webinars. Students can browse these events and engage with higher education from the comfort of their mobile, tablet or computer.

- **University of Manchester mA*ths online programme**
January to May 2026
- **Unifrog Subject Discovery Fair**
Wednesday 18th March, 4–6.30pm
- **University of Chester social and political sciences taster day**
Wednesday 25th March, 9.30–2.30pm
- **STEM Summer Residential**
June and August 2026

For details of these events and more, [click here](#) to access our dedicated UCAS webpage, and click the button 'What's on this month'.