



**Newcastle
Careers
Team**

Newcastle
City Council 

Newsletter

Our latest newsletter is focussing on year 11 leavers as we approach exam season. Many Colleges and training organisations are now holding open days, taster days and interviews for September starts. Popular courses will fill up fast so we urge young people to be applying as soon as possible and not wait for their exam results. There are still apprenticeship places available as well. Anyone needing help with making applications or putting together a CV, please get in touch with the Careers Team.

My Future: My Choice

Following the success of the My Future: My Choice Careers Event at St. James' Park in February, we are pleased to announce that the event will be taking place again next year on **Thursday 8th February 2024** at St. James Park. Further details will be announced soon but please put the date in your diary.



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Careers Team support

Between now and September, the focus of the Careers team will be on supporting year 11's to get fixed up with something positive for September. We have appointments and drop in sessions Tuesday – Thursday at the Skills Hub in the Central Library and Monday afternoon at the Nunsmoor Centre.

We also run a job matching service, where young people can tell us the type of work they are interested in and we will send out appropriate vacancies and information on training opportunities. To register, get in touch with Vicky by emailing victoria.cheetham@newcastle.gov.uk.

Vicky can also give job club support, helping with CV's and application forms.

As well as Careers Guidance the team support young people with making applications to apprenticeships, jobs and training places, can refer to personal development opportunities and give advice on A level and degree options.



Support for Electively Home Educated Students

On the **11th May** at the Bewick Room in the **Central Library** there will be a drop in event for young people in the equivalent of year 11 who are Electively Home Educated. It is drop in event with stall holders and will run from **11am-2pm**.

As well as the Careers Team being present to give advice and support, Newcastle College, City learning and Trinity Solutions Academy will also have stalls. Please pass details on to families who are seeking support.

Skills Employers Value

Economic development recently provided the careers team with information on what employers are seeking from applicants in the Newcastle area. The top 5 personal skills identified via job adverts were:- communication, management, customer service, sales and planning. When it came to IT knowledge employers asked for top of the list was Microsoft Excel, followed by Microsoft Office, Microsoft Azure, SQL and Microsoft Outlook.



Opportunities



ETSNorth Open Day

Come to ETSNorth to meet all our staff and view our facilities. We have appointments available between 9:00am and 2:00pm on Wednesday 31st May 2023.

We work with multinational, UK, and local employers in a wide range of industries to support all our young learners into employment, apprenticeships, and training. We offer training in the following vocational areas:

- Painting and Decorating
- Multi Skills Construction
- Hairdressing
- Beauty Therapy
- Retail
- Customer Service
- Business Administration
- Warehouse and Storage

We are based in North Shields, just a short walk from the metro. To book your session please ring us on 0191 296 3367 or alternatively email us ets-n@barnardos.org.uk.

FIND A JOB YOU LOVE



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IMPROVE THE LIVES OF OTHERS WITH
A JOB IN HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE



Join us for a free recruitment event on 26th April at St. James' Park stadium to kickstart your career in Health & Social Care.

You will have exclusive access to a range of different employers looking to hire young people today.

WHERE?

ST. JAMES' PARK

WHEN?

APRIL 26th

WHO?

AGES 16-30



Prince's Trust



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Newcastle College Open Events

Our on-campus Open Events are a great opportunity for you to learn more about life at Newcastle College and the courses we have available. You'll be able to chat to tutors, take a tour of our fantastic facilities and find out about the financial support we offer.

We'll be on hand to talk to you about our wide range of courses, as well as offer you some top tips to get you on course for success. We can also help you apply at the Open Event too!

Our Open Events take place between **4.45pm - 7pm** at our Rye Hill Campus on:

- Wednesday 3 May
- Wednesday 7 June
- Wednesday 5 July

To find out more about our Open Events and to sign up, head to www.ncl-coll.ac.uk

Newcastle College Virtual Parents' Information Evening

We're hosting a **Virtual Parents' Information Evening on Wednesday 17 May** to give parents more information on what to expect when their child studies at Newcastle College this September.

The online event is for parents and guardians to find out more about college life, our courses and learn about the financial and learning support we offer. This is a great opportunity to ask any questions about your child's next steps.

There are two time slots to choose from and the event will be on Microsoft Teams. Our first session is **4pm to 5pm** and our second session is **6pm to 7pm**.

To find out more and sign up to one of our events, visit www.ncl-coll.ac.uk/events



Trinity Solutions Academy

Trinity Solutions Academy's **Learn to Work programme** is a roll-on, roll-off course with a strong vocational focus. Learners can gain qualifications up to Level 2 in industries such as Motor Vehicle, Salon, Construction, Teaching Assistant, Business Administration, Health and Social Care, Cleaning Operative, Animal Care and Law.

Each vocation offers our learners the opportunity to participate in the highest quality work placements with prominent and reputable companies across Newcastle. Many of our learners have gone on to gain apprenticeships or employment this way. Learners are also able to study towards their English and Maths qualifications, from Functional Skills up to GCSE, and develop their knowledge of Digital Skills and PSD through creative and engaging weekly classroom sessions.



Trinity Academy offers bespoke packages to young people aged 16-25 who have additional support needs. Learners who have learning difficulties and/or disabilities (LLDD) are provided with a study programme that gives valuable skills in preparation for adulthood. Bespoke programmes are tailor-made to meet the individual needs and aspirations of each learner. An experienced and qualified key worker is assigned to support learners either intensively 1:1 or in a group setting.

Not sure what you want to do?

Come and have a go... our new course offers programmes designed to meet learner needs and provides the opportunity to try out different vocations. Learners can mix and match their timetable to suit them, with an option of working towards qualifications.

Already know what you want to do but unsure about a full time programme?

We can offer short or part time programmes. For more information or to enrol, contact Trinity Solutions Academy on 0191 298 6950.



Trinity Solutions Academy

Evan enrolled onto study programme with Trinity Solutions in September 2021 where he worked toward a Level 1 Diploma in Basic Construction. He initially visited with his former school, and completed an informal interview to identify aspirations and support needs, Evan went on to gain experience in a range of trades including bricklaying, block paving, plastering before accessing a high quality work placement with AJ Bennett. With excellent links with local and national employers, an Apprenticeship opportunity was identified with Keepmoat homes.

With application and interview support, Evan applied for the role and was successful. Successfully employed as an Apprentice Bricklayer with Keepmoat Homes, Evan is thriving in his new role.

"I've been with Keepmoat as an Apprentice Bricklayer for four months now, and I find I'm enjoying all aspects of the role. I applied for the apprenticeship whilst completing my Level 1 Diploma in Construction at Trinity Academy in Newcastle when I realised I really enjoyed bricklaying on my courses."

So far the apprenticeship has helped me gain confidence. I feel I can ask questions and my peers and the experienced bricklayers have helped me understand the trade. I'm so grateful for the opportunity, and know that the skills I learn will not go to waste."

**Evan Browne,
Apprentice Bricklayer**





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**DIGITAL**

## FULLY FUNDED SUPPORT TO HELP BRING A NEW DIGITAL BUSINESS TO LIFE.

Support available for residents of Northumberland,  
North Tyneside and Newcastle:



**ONE-TO-ONE ADVICE**  
Working with you to get  
your business idea off the  
ground.



**EVENTS PROGRAMME**  
Developing business  
ideas within your local  
community.



**ENABLE CONNECTIONS**  
Introducing you to the  
additional support you  
need to help you flourish.



**SUPPORT TOOLKIT**  
Helping focus your  
thoughts with practical  
advice.

## GOT AN IDEA? LET'S MAKE IT HAPPEN.

Visit: [www.digitalbusinesspipeline.co.uk](http://www.digitalbusinesspipeline.co.uk) or  
email: [hello@digitalbusinesspipeline.co.uk](mailto:hello@digitalbusinesspipeline.co.uk)

# Newcastle City Learning

Newcastle City Learning offers a variety of Programmes for Young People. These programmes offer very individualised programmes of study that are designed to help develop knowledge, skills and behaviours that are required to progress onto higher level academic or vocational qualifications, or to work out exactly what you want to do moving forward.

Our vocational pathway for young learners let's them explore a range of employment options and develop employability skills that are required to successfully progress, including real work experience where appropriate. We have a new curriculum offer from September 2023 that includes options such as Tourism and Travel, Hospitality and Catering, and Early Years.

Our offer also includes specialist routes for young learners with learning difficulties and disabilities. There is **Working Life** – if you want to move into work, and **Independence** – if you want to work towards independence in adulthood. Both of these include maths, English and Digital Skills delivery.

For those aged 16-24 with an Education, Health and Care Plan, our Supported Internships offer individuals a chance to work with a range of employers to gain the skills needed for work. Supported Internships are unpaid and last for a minimum of six months. Whilst at work you will have a Supported Employment Officer who will always be on hand to give extra support when necessary. You will also attend college to develop your maths, English and employability skills where appropriate.

Our BUILD programme is an alternative to our full-time offer. This pathway works with those who are most vulnerable or NEET (Not In Education, Employment or Training).

Applicants must be 16-18 years of age and reside within Newcastle upon Tyne. BUILD is a 10 week structured programme that provides practical hands on projects within the city and an opportunity to attend work experience when ready.

To find our more please contact us on 0191 277 3520 or email [nclsp@newcastle.gov.uk](mailto:nclsp@newcastle.gov.uk).





## Military Preparation College for Training

*Preparing life for what you'll throw at it.*

Are you aged 16-19 and interested in joining the uniformed services? This course might be for you.

### Our Level 2 in Preparation for Uniformed Services includes:

- Military themed activities: Marches, drills, assault courses, hill runs.
- Military visits
- 50% physical activities
- Tailored support from our ex-military instructors to meet your fitness goals
- Teamwork
- Leadership
- Navigation
- Fieldcraft
- Understanding the Military
- Functional skills Maths and English
- All activities included in Army Basic Training

Not only will you get to taste the Army life, you will also gain confidence and the chance to prove yourself.

### Interested in this course?

If this course is for you, please contact our Business Development Officer Nathan for more information: [nathan.devlin@learningcurvegroup.co.uk](mailto:nathan.devlin@learningcurvegroup.co.uk), 07534 704937.

For more in-depth information on the course, you can find our latest prospectus at [www.mpct.co.uk](http://www.mpct.co.uk)



# Meet the Team

**All our Careers Advisers are level 6 qualified Careers Guidance practitioners.**

**Ann Graham** – Manages the team. Ann has been working within Careers in Newcastle since 1990 in a wide variety of roles and settings. Ann is always keen to meet other services and organisations to explore how organisations can work together. Email: [ann.graham@newcastle.gov.uk](mailto:ann.graham@newcastle.gov.uk).



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Linked to Jesmond Park, St. Mary's, Mary Astell, Excelsior and Kenton Schools. Also our link to students who are Electively Home Educated.

