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Year 11
Enrichment Opportunities

Making the most of your summer!

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Introduction

This booklet is designed to offer a wide range of activities and opportunities for you to take part in over the coming months as you prepare for your post 16 options.

The activities are not compulsory and there is no minimum or maximum amount to choose from. They are simply outlined as a way for you to use your time productively, gain new skills, meet new people and ensure you are as prepared for your next steps as possible.

Taster Days	Taster days in some of our local colleges for you to visit face to face, and take part in activities.
Bridging Work	Preparatory work for your coming A Level provided by Queen Alexandra.
Courses & Programmes	Optional Qualifications you can sign up for to add to your CV.
Work Experience	Virtual work experience opportunities that will offer insights into various industry sectors.
Volunteering	Opportunities in your local area to get involved and support your community.
School Support	Opportunities to come back into school to support teachers and younger students.

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Taster Days - Tynemet College

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Taster Days - Newcastle College

Newcastle College

Hi, my name is **Katie McCluskey** and I am the school contact between John Spence Community High School and Newcastle College. Have a read through what we have available and use the contact details below to get in touch if I can help you with anything.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

All of our upcoming events and details on how to sign up can be found on our website under the events section: **www.ncl-coll.ac.uk/events**

VIRTUAL OPEN EVENTS:

Virtual Open Events are your opportunity to learn more about college life and help you to make your final decision about where and what to study. It's your chance to chat to tutors, get course advice and find out about financial support. You can even explore our campus through virtual tours!

VIRTUAL PARENTS INFORMATION EVENT:

The Parents Information Event is a great opportunity to hear directly from our team and find out more about the college. At this event we hold a live question and answer session so parents and guardians can get their specific questions answered.

VIRTUAL SUBJECT SPECIFIC SESSIONS:

If you have already applied for a course, or are still considering your options, these events are a great way of meeting course tutors virtually and hearing more about subject area you are interested in. We also have a chat function so you can ask questions direct to our tutors throughout the event.

CAMPUS TOURS:

At Newcastle College you can book a campus tour with a member of the team. Our campus tours are a great way of settling any worries before starting college. We can take a look around the campus and visit the buildings and rooms you will use for your studies. If you are still unsure on what course you want to study, you can have an informal look around and find out more about the courses and facilities available.

If you would like to book a campus tour or to get general advice about Newcastle College please email me at **Katie.McCluskey@ncl-coll.ac.uk** and I will get back to you.

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Taster Days - Monkseaton High School

Monkseaton High School Sixth Form

Taster Days

Student

'The facilities at school are outstanding, they help me learn and keep me busy throughout the day'

Ofsted

'Students who attend Monkseaton High School's Sixth Form are served well. They receive a good-quality educational experience'

For more information, please email Louise Purdy at:
louise.purdy@monkseaton.org.uk

Ofsted Good Provider

equality | opportunity | inclusion | achievement

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Bridging Work - Queen Alexandra Sixth Form

QUEEN ALEXANDRA SIXTH FORM COLLEGE

The following subjects have sent work for you to explore prior to starting your courses. There is no obligation to complete it, but it might give you a taste of what's to come in September, and help to prepare you better for the transition.

- Business Studies
- English Literature
- English Language
- Art

To access the work: Visit the Year 11 Google Classroom, click in 'Classwork' and locate the folder entitled 'QA Bridging Work' Each subject will have a folder within this one.

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Bridging Work - Subject Catch Up

If you feel that you have fallen behind in a particular subject area as a result of the pandemic, the Oak National Academy is a great site that contains lessons and videos on a wide variety of subjects and topics.

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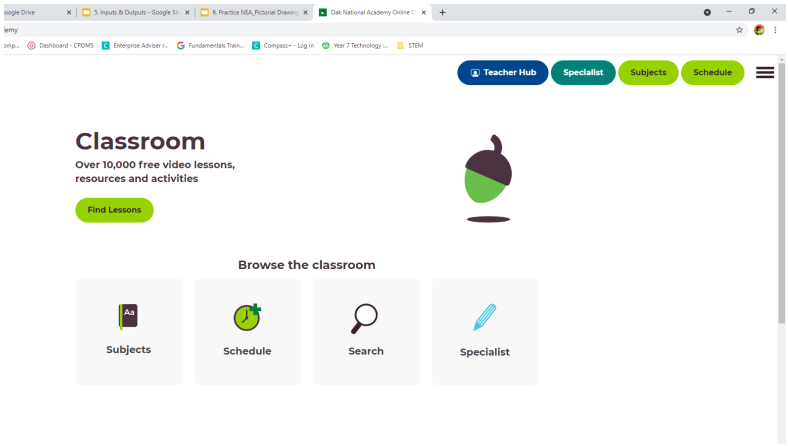

To access the resources, visit www.thenational.academy and click on ‘Lessons’. You can then browse the videos and lessons free of charge.

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Online Courses -

Unifrog MOOC's

A MOOC (massive open online course) is a short, free online course focused on one subject area or topic. They are usually provided by Universities, and are a great way to find out about degree courses.

They range in terms of time commitment but usually require around 4-5 hours of study per week for 6 weeks. On completion, you will be able to include this on any University application.

Unifrog has a huge variety of MOOCs from Cyber Security to Wellbeing and Nutrition. You can complete the work at a time that is flexible.

To complete a MOOC, follow this link, then sign in to your Unifrog account: https://www.unifrog.org/student/moocs/start

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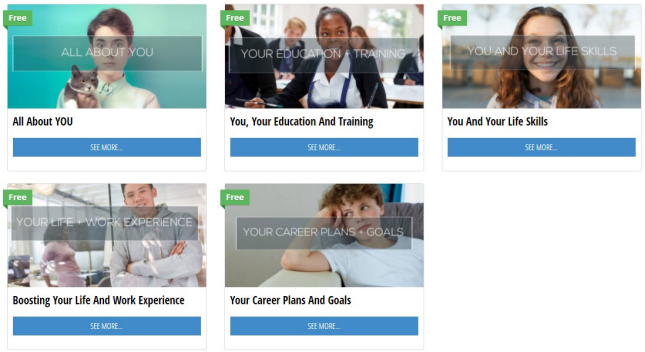
Online Courses -

Young Professional Program - Preparing for your future

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT UK

The Young Professional Program is a selection of 5 free courses provided by Youth Employment UK. You can take one, are all of the courses on offer, and at the end of each one, you will receive a certificate of completion to support CV's and job applications.



To take part:
Visit www.youthemployment.org.uk and search 'Preparing for your Future'.

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Other Courses

First Aid Training - Thursday 10th June

Mr Douglas will be running the full day First Aid training in school free of charge. Ofqual recognised and valid for 3 years. great addition to your CV.

To register your interest, please email **john.douglas@johnspence.org.uk**

Bike Maintenance - Dates to be confirmed

Mr Pilkington will be running a full day's bike maintenance training in school free of charge.

To register your interest, please email **adam.pilkington@johnspence.org.uk**

Sports Leaders UK - 22nd-24th June

Tynemet College are offering the chance to complete the Sports Leaders UK programme.

To register your interest, please email **adam.pilkington@johnspence.org.uk**

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Programmes

NCS

The National Citizen Service offer a fantastic programme of challenges and events where you can travel, meet new people, and try out new experiences. Visit **https://wearencs.com/** for more details.

Duke of Edinburgh

Those of you who have worked through your silver award, still have time to complete the Gold award.

DofE | THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD

Contact: **sam.fullard@johnspence.org.uk** for more details.

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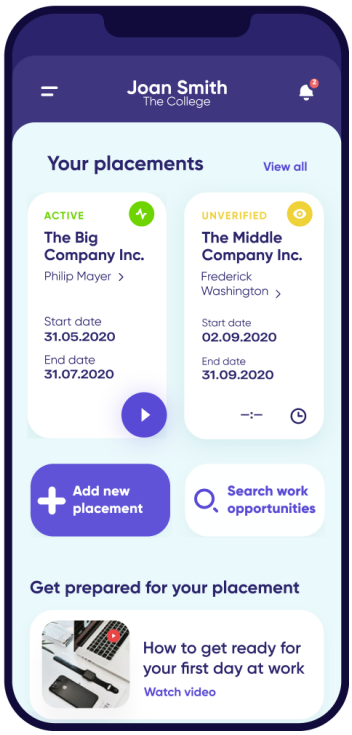
Virtual Work Experience - Changing Education



Changing education is a virtual work experience provider which links you, to an employer.

To take part, download the **'ConnectED'** app and sign up.

Complete the personality section to enable Connect to link you with an employer. You will then be able to select a project to work on through out one full week, and will receive a certificate of completion at the end.

This programme is usually expensive, but North Tyneside have funded it for you!

You can complete as many programmes as you like, and might meet some great contacts along the way.

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Virtual Work Experience - Upskill Me

Careers in **Law** - 1st June (10am-3pm).

Speakers from top law firms including Latham & Watkins.

Careers in **Business** - 2nd June (10am-3pm).

Speakers from Amazon & Tiktok

Careers in **Banking and Finance** - 3rd June (10am- 3pm)

Speakers from Citibank.

UpskillMe

To take part: Go to www.upskillme.io and create a student account. Head to our Events page in our Opportunity Portal and scroll to find the 'Career Discovery Week' registration links

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Face to Face Work Experience

MINI PARTY PEOPLE

Children's Party Support

Mrs Macleod runs a children's party business on Saturday's. She is looking for 2-3 responsible students to help out during these parties.

Duties will include:

- **Supervising a station.**
- **Assisting with party games.**
- **Helping with participation and having fun.**
- **Helping with the organisation (setup/pack up).**

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Volunteering Opportunities - VODA

VODA is a local organisation who co-ordinate a wide variety of different volunteering opportunities in the local area. If you want to find out what sort of volunteering you can get involved with, see the contact details below.

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Volunteering Opportunities - Other

There are lots of other organisations/projects you can get involved in to help support your local community, and to add to your CV.

#MonthOfCommunity - Various awareness raising weeks during June www.edenprojectcommunities.com/blog/month-of-community

#WaveOfHope - a social justice/ climate campaign by a coalition of charities - https://crackthecrises.org/wave/

Other volunteering links:

https://www.cedarwoodtrust.com/

https://www.meadowwellconnected.org.uk/

https://www.thebayfoodbank.org.uk/

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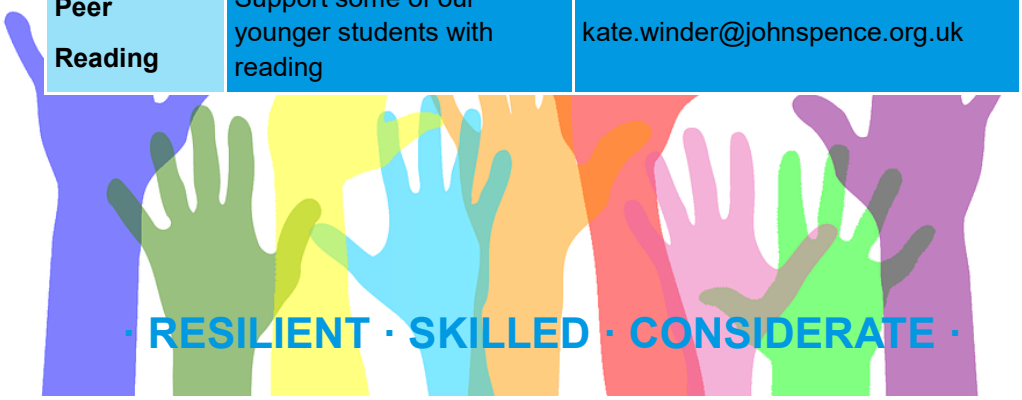
In School Support

There are a huge number of ways you can help support the staff and students back in school. Here is a list of opportunities with who to contact if you are interested:

Role	Details	Contact
Gardener	Help out with the school garden and allotment	sam.fullard@johnspence.org.uk
PE Technician	Support the PE dept. with equipment and preparation	adam.pilkington@johnspence.org.uk
Transition day	Support staff during Year 6 transition days	james.redpath@johnspence.org.uk
Academy/ GOALS support	Help out at some of our many sorts programmes	adam.pilkington@johnspence.org.uk
Primary Support	Helping out with sporting activities at the local primary schools	adam.pilkington@johnspence.org.uk
Peer Reading	Support some of our younger students with reading	kate.winder@johnspence.org.uk