

Your Options after Year 11

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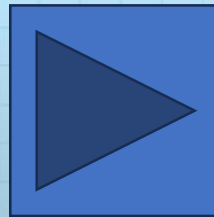
Young people in England are required by law to stay in education or training until age 18. 16 to 18 year-olds have several options to choose from, including A-levels and T-levels.

What's your next move?

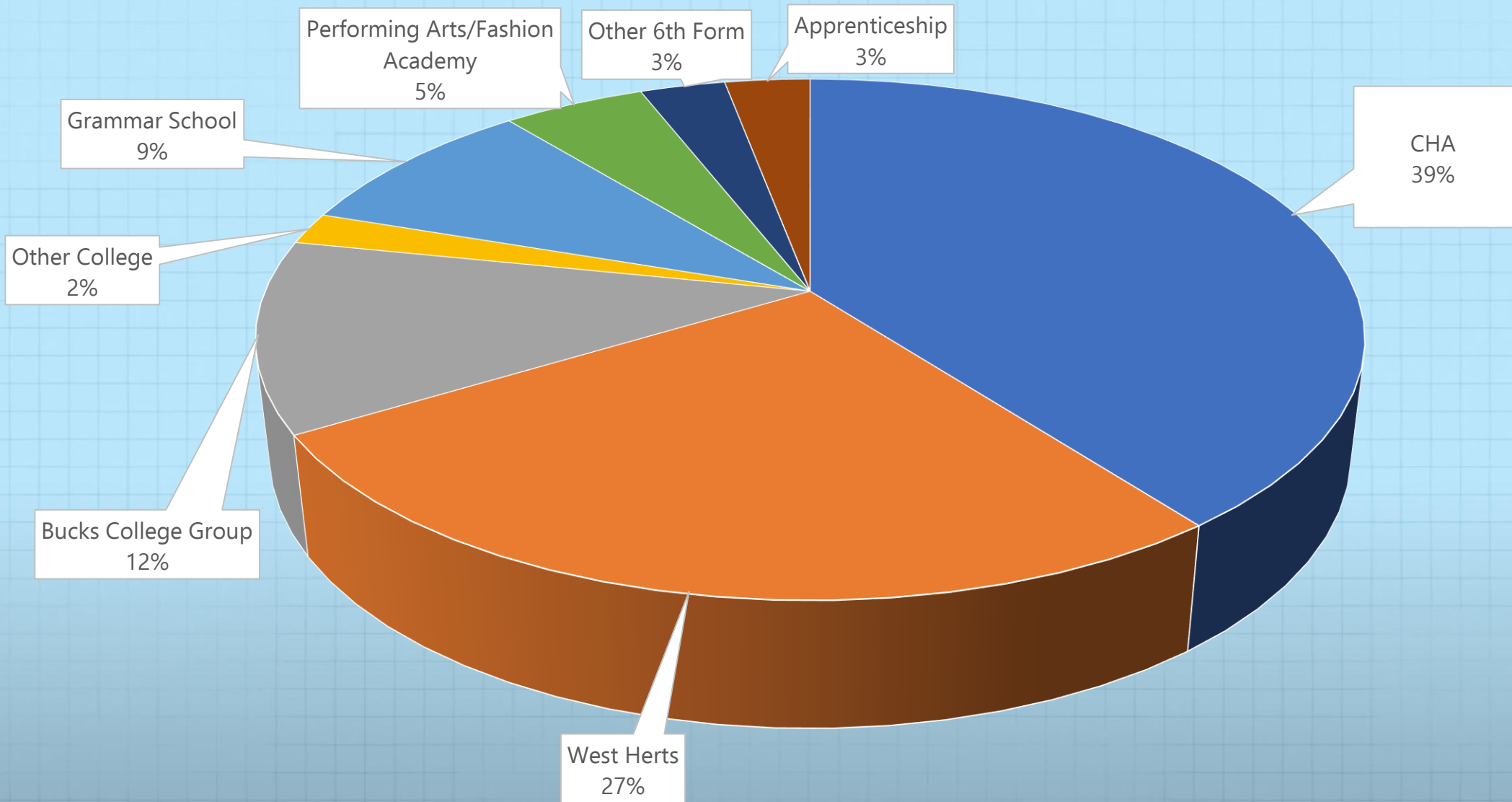
You could also choose to take up an Apprenticeship, a Traineeship or to follow part-time learning whilst working or volunteering.

It's a BIG decision to make at Year 11... So we've put together this presentation to help you better understand and map out your future.

What's your next move?



CHA Destinations 2022-2023



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What are the 3 Main Pathways?

✓ **Chiltern Hills Academy Sixth Form**

A mixture of A levels and BTEC qualification

✓ **Other 6th Form**

A level programmes with BTECs

✓ **College**

BTEC programmes, T Levels A level

✓ **Apprenticeships**



Which Route for Me ?

On going
performance
data

Exams
Results

Have a PLAN "A"

and

PLAN "B"

And apply to both

Career
Direction

Learning
Style

Assessment
preferences



Pathway 1 – CHA Sixth Form

- ✓ More subject options than many local schools
- ✓ 156 students in Sixth Form – personal guidance
- ✓ Large percentage of our Sixth Formers go on to University
- ✓ In 2023 our we had students who went to University of Southampton, Leeds, Nottingham, York, Birmingham, Manchester and Reading.



CHA offers a wide range of A levels and BTECs

Application deadline – 31st January

- **Accounting Art and Photography Biology**
- **Business* Chemistry Construction***
- **Dance* Drama English Lit English Lit**
- **French and Spanish**
- **Geography History Health&Social Care***
- **Mathematics Media Music PE**
- **Physics Psychology Sociology Travel&Tourism***

***BTEC qualification**

Pathway 1 – CHA Sixth Form

Alongside A levels and BTECs,

- UCAS application guidance
- Personal statement advice,
- CV workshops, interview skills workshops
- mock job interviews
- Work Experience week in Y12
- Apprenticeship applications workshops
- Young Enterprise
- MIND mentoring training
- DofE.
- EPQ (Extended Project Qualification)
- Links with external businesses and Universities



Pathway 1 – CHA Sixth Form



- Please talk about your plans at home, with your teachers, Mrs Hemsworth & Mrs Mellish

Please consider the following:

- What are your favourite subjects?
- How well are you performing at school?
- The subjects where you are most successful?
- Any career plans or longer term education plans?
- CHA 6th Form Application deadline 31st January

Pathway 2 – College

- ✓ **New Environment**
- ✓ **Fresh Start**
- ✓ **Wider range of courses**
- ✓ **Different approaches**
- ✓ **Have specialised facilities**
- ✓ **Work Focused**
- ✓ **Teaching and assessment methods**

Vocational Courses

T Levels

BTEC First Diplomas Level 2

BTEC Extended Diplomas Level 3

**Seamless Transition
and Progression**



Pathway 2 – College Courses

**BTEC Level 3
Extended Diploma
(counts 3 A Levels)**

**BTECs are an
alternative to A
Levels.**

What are BTECs?

- ✓ More vocational and practical, which may suit both your learning style and what you want to do after you finish your studies.
- ✓ If you know what career you're working towards, a practical BTEC is arguably more useful than an A-level since you'll be starting to get the real skills you need for the career you want.

Is a BTEC going to stand in the way of a university place?

- ✓ Not anymore but CHECK with the university you are applying to.

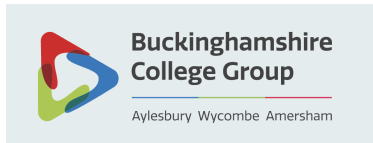
How are they graded?

- ✓ Pass, Merit, Distinction or Distinction* grade.



Pathway 2 – College Courses

T LEVELS



- ✓ This new nationally recognised qualification is aimed at those who already have a very particular career path in mind, with the course blending technical learning and extensive work placements.
- ✓ Taking one T Level is the equivalent of three A Levels, and the focus is on one particular area,
- ✓ T Levels are also graded by Pass, Merit, Distinction or Distinction *, and give a thorough grounding in the knowledge and experience needed for a career in the given subject.
- ✓ 80% college, 20% work placement.

Bucks College Group Courses

- Digital : Production, Design & Development
- Digital : Support Services
- Education & Childcare
- Supporting Healthcare
- Supporting Mental Health Teams
- Laboratory Science
- Plumbing & Heating Engineering
- Team Leadership & Management

West Herts Courses

- Building Services - Engineering for Construction Electrotechnical
- Design, Surveying and Planning for Construction - Civil Engineering
- Design Surveying and Planning for Construction - Surveying & Design
- Education and Early Years - Assisting Teaching Health Supporting the Adult Nursing Team



Pathway 2 – College Courses

Animal Care

Engineer

Music

Art and Design

Fashion

Performing Arts

Beauty

Food

Plumbing

Building

Hairdressing

Public Services

Business

Health and Social

Science

Child Care

Hospitality

Sport

Computing

Media

Travel and Tourism

Electrician

Mechanic





Find out what West Herts has to offer by watching the following video. Click [here](#)





Buckinghamshire
College Group

Aylesbury Wycombe Amersham



buckscolleggroup.ac.uk

APPLY FOR YOUR COURSE NOW





- ✓ Three campuses – **Aylesbury, Amersham and Wycombe.**
- ✓ State-of-the-art facilities filled with specialist and professional equipment, salons, studios, and workshop.
- ✓ Over 21 subjects, with over 145 courses for you to choose from ranging from: media production, sport, music, science, art and design to business and law. Brand new business suite.
- ✓ NB Their business courses, accounting and finance were oversubscribed this year so early application recommended



**Buckinghamshire
College Group**

Aylesbury Wycombe Amersham



BCA

Your College

BCA – Land based, Creative, Technical, Active in a 400 acre estate

COURSES

Land-based

- ✓ Agriculture
- ✓ Animal Management
- ✓ Equestrian Studies
- ✓ Horticulture

Technical

- ✓ Applied Science
- ✓ Business
- ✓ Early Years
- ✓ Health & Social Care
- ✓ Motor Vehicle

Creative

- ✓ Art and Design
- ✓ Media Production
- ✓ Production Arts
- ✓ Performing Arts

Active

- ✓ Sports Studies
- ✓ Outdoor Education
- ✓ Protective Services
- ✓ Sports Academies
(including links with Maidenhead United)



Pathway 2 – Open Days



College	Event Date	Time
West Herts – Watford	09-Mar-24	9.30am-1pm
West Herts – Hemel Hempstead	02-Mar	9.30am-12.30pm
Bucks College – Amersham	13-Mar	5pm-6.45pm
Bucks College – Aylesbury	16-Mar	10am-1pm
Bucks College – High Wycombe	19-Mar	5pm – 6.45pm
Berkshire College of Agriculture	04-Mar	10am-2pm
Berkshire College of Agriculture Taster Day	14-Mar	9.30am-4.30pm

Pathway 2 – Student numbers



Type	West Herts College	Buckinghamshire College Group
Locations	Watford Hemel Hempstead Luton	Aylesbury Amersham High Wycombe
Students 16-18	6000	3000
Adults	2700	1200
Apprentices	450	500
Total	9150	4700

Pathway 3 – Apprenticeships

WORK BASED LEARNING

- ✓ **Learn and earn**
- ✓ **Experience real work**
- ✓ **Day release to college**
- ✓ **Gain skills and qualifications**
- ✓ **Assessed at work**



LEVEL 2 INTERMEDIATE

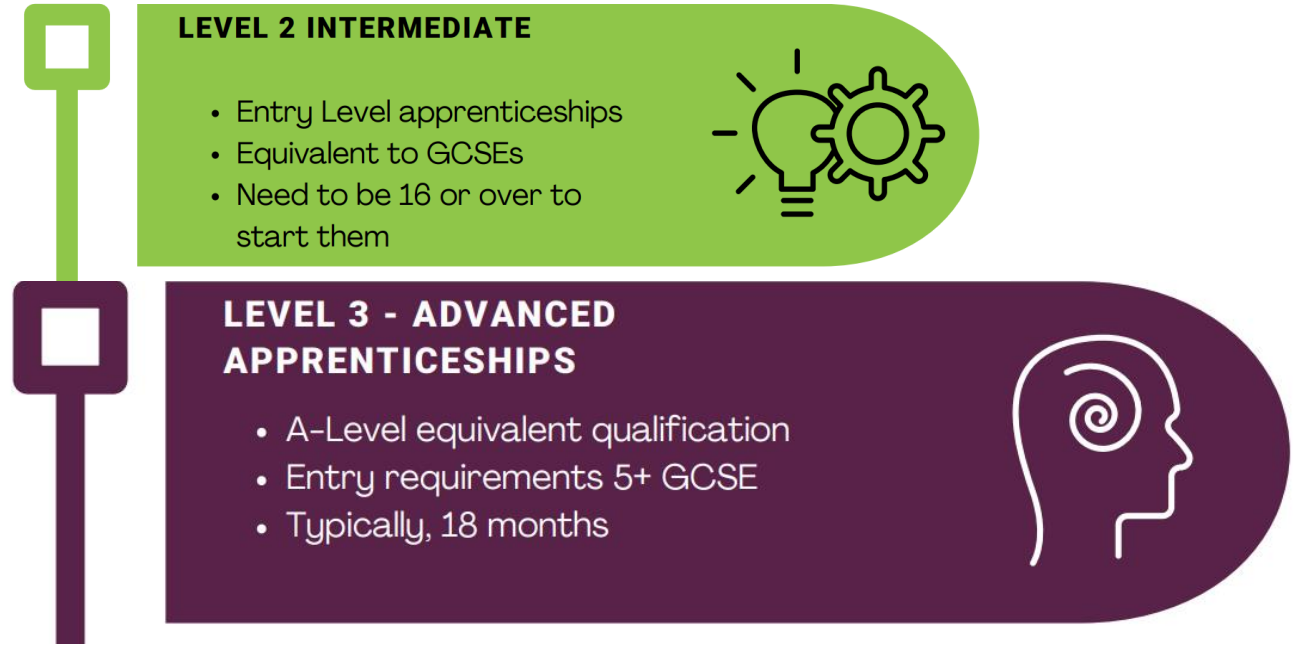
- Entry Level apprenticeships
- Equivalent to GCSEs
- Need to be 16 or over to start them



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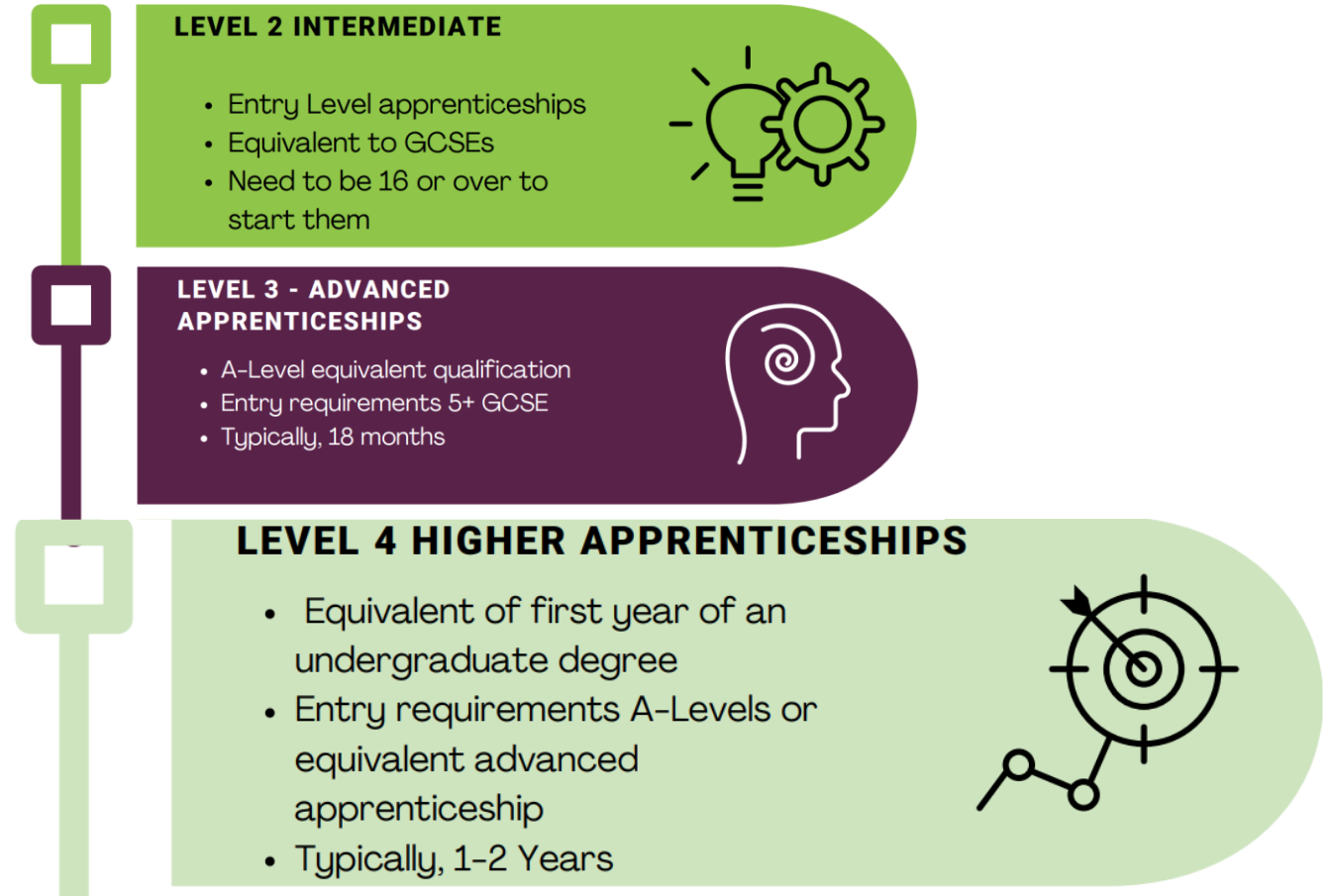
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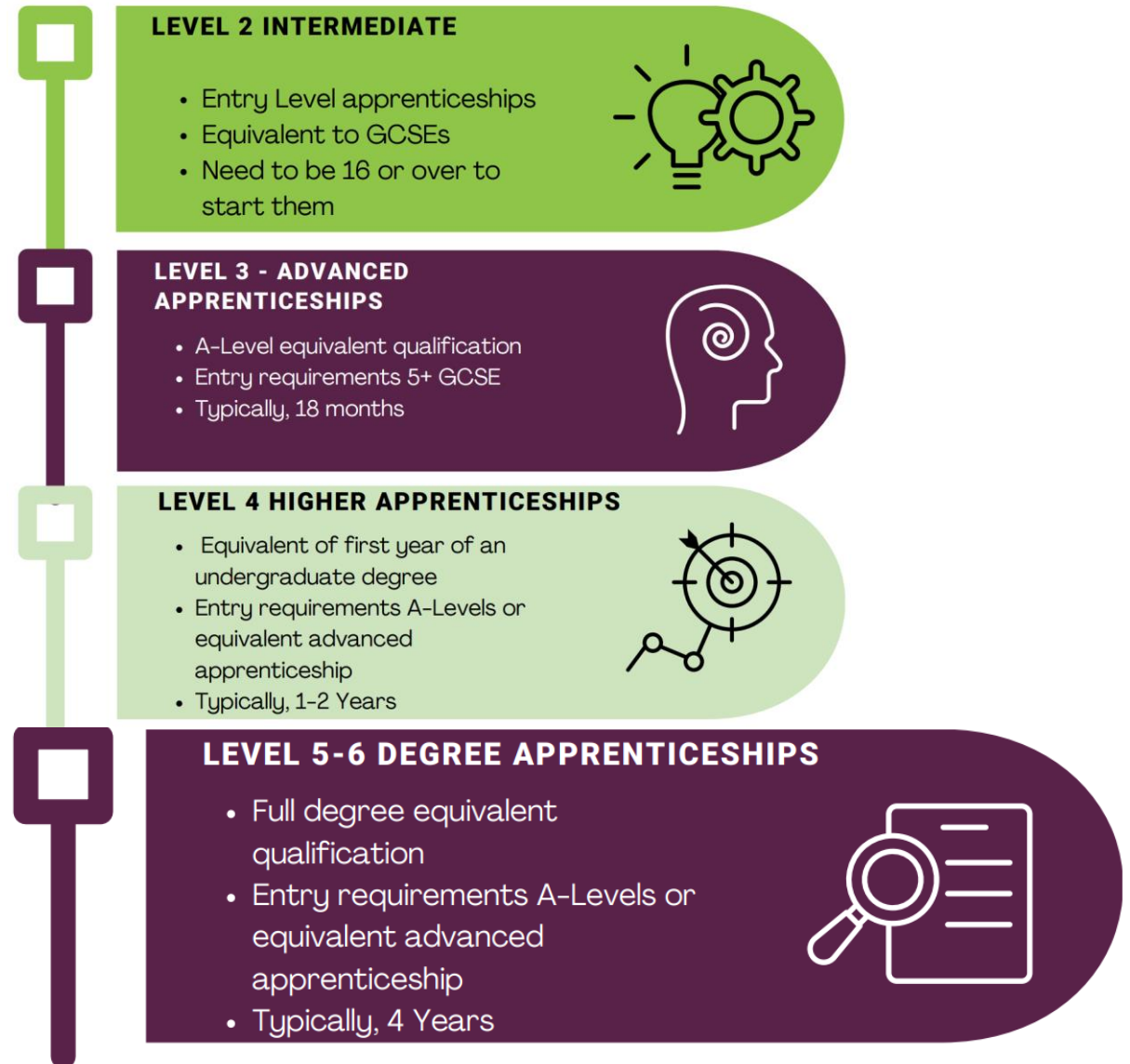
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Pathway 3 – Apprenticeships



Is Apprenticeship right for me – [click here](#) to view the video

Pathway 3 – Apprenticeships

Apprentice Beauty Therapist

Champneys Tring

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As an Apprentice you will work, within a great team, in a rewarding environment at one of Champneys' spa resorts. You will acquire the ability to deliver a 5* guest experience whilst being able to provide a range of beauty treatments to include facials, massage and nails to the highest professional standards.

[Sign in to apply](#)

Closing date: 31 Mar 2024

Example of **Intermediate Apprenticeship**
– Level 2

Grade 4 Maths and English desired

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship>

Apprenticeship summary

Annual wage

£10,982.40

[Wages explained](#)

Working week

Days and shifts are to be confirmed, this will be discussed with you upon interview, 1 day will be your off the job training day.

Total hours per week: 40.0

Expected duration

15 Months

Possible start date

22 Apr 2024

Date posted

19 Sep 2023

Apprenticeship level

Intermediate
Level 2 (GCSE)

Reference number

VAC1000199553

Positions

2 available

What you will do in your working day

We currently have some exciting opportunities for a start in a career that will provide the highest standard of training and excellent employment from the UK's leading health resort and spa's that will give your career a certain cachet that will set you apart.

Duties will include:

- Waxing services (legs, underarms, face and bikini line)
- Hand and nail treatments
- Foot treatments
- Facial skin care treatments
- Eyelash and eyebrow treatments
- Make-up application
- Basic massage treatments (back, neck and shoulder)

The training you will be getting

Level 2 Beauty Therapist Apprenticeship Standard, which includes:

- Level 2 Diploma for Beauty Professionals - Beauty therapist
- Level 1/2 Functional Skills in maths and English (if required)
- End-Point Assessment (EPA)

Armonia Training Academy will provide you with the appropriate training to help you carry out beauty therapy treatments in line with legal, industry and organisational requirements, maintaining honesty, integrity, and confidentiality. Your training will be delivered through a blend of learning including virtual learning, block input weeks, and employer touchpoint days.

You will learn to implement and practice safe ways of working for yourself and others in accordance with legal, beauty therapy and organisational requirements. Whilst gaining the skills to carry out, maintain and store details relation to client records and confidential beauty treatment consultations. You will learn to understand and facilitate client journeys, recording messages and making appointments alongside handling payments from clients.

This qualification will be achieved through continual assessment of your practical work, your theory understanding, using tests and oral questioning; evidence of competence will be collected in a portfolio of evidence. You will

Pathway 3 – Apprenticeships

Example of **Advanced Apprenticeship** –
equivalent to A levels – gaining a Level 3
in Business and Administration

Grade 4 GCSEs or above
A levels desired

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship>

Business Apprentice

CHILTERN TRAINING LTD

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We are offering a great opportunity to kick start your business administration career within the leisure industry, with a friendly team. Duties will include answering the phone and dealing with customer queries/orders. Supporting and engaging with different parts of the organisation and interact with internal or external customers.

[Sign in to apply](#)

Closing date: 31 Jul 2024

Apprenticeship summary

Annual wage

£10,982.40

[Wages explained](#)

Working week

40-45 hours per week, Monday -
Friday, between 9.30am - 5.45pm
With an occasional Saturday shift,
8am - 4.45pm

Total hours per week: 40.0

Expected duration

18 Months

Possible start date

01 Aug 2024

Date posted

14 Aug 2023

Apprenticeship level

Advanced
Level 3 (A level)

Reference number

VAC1000190869

Positions

1 available

What you will do in your working day

Duties include but not limited to:

- Answering the phone
- Dealing with customer queries/orders
- Responding to queries via email
- Filing
- Manning reception
- Booking swimming lessons in tutors' diaries
- Going through all the candidates that need to renew their lessons
- Helping stock the swimming shop

The training you will be getting

- Level 3 Diploma in Business and Administration
- Level 2 Functional Skills in English and maths
- How training will be delivered is to be confirmed

What to expect at the end of your apprenticeship

- Upon successful completion of the apprenticeships, you could progress onto the higher-level apprenticeships and work your way up to office manager level, which would be a management role often with team leader status
- This qualification should give you transferable skills that will not limit you to one sector

Pathway 3 – Apprenticeships

Example of **Advanced Apprenticeship** – equivalent to A levels – gaining a Level 3 qualification through the Pension Management Institute

Grade 5 GCSEs or above
A levels desired

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship>

Pension Administration Apprenticeship

Barnett Waddingham

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September 2024 starts with an 18 month programme leading to a professional qualification which allows you to learn new skills leading to fantastic career progression. We have friendly supportive teams with a mentor to help you and many of our apprentices have progressed to senior roles.

This apprenticeship requires you to apply through the employer's website.

[Apply now](#)

Closing date: 28 Feb 2024

Apprenticeship summary

Annual wage

£19,227.00

You will receive competitive annual bonus, 25 days holiday, private medical, discounts including gym memberships, cinema & restaurant vouchers & more free fresh fruit, hot and cold drinks and free pizza on occasional social office events

Working week

Monday to Friday between 9.00am to 5.00pm. Breaks to be confirmed.
Total hours per week: 36.25

Expected duration

18 Months

Possible start date

02 Sep 2024

Date posted

15 Dec 2023

Apprenticeship level

Advanced
Level 3 (A level)

Reference number

VAC1000218739

What you will do in your working day

- Communicating with clients, their members and advisers via email, letter, and telephone
- Process client pensioner payrolls, including calculations of net pay, arranging payments, liaison with tax offices and preparation of year end returns
- The preparation of computer-generated benefit calculations and related correspondence
- Attending team meetings to understand the priorities and offering support as required
- Plus, lots more including interesting project work

The training you will be getting

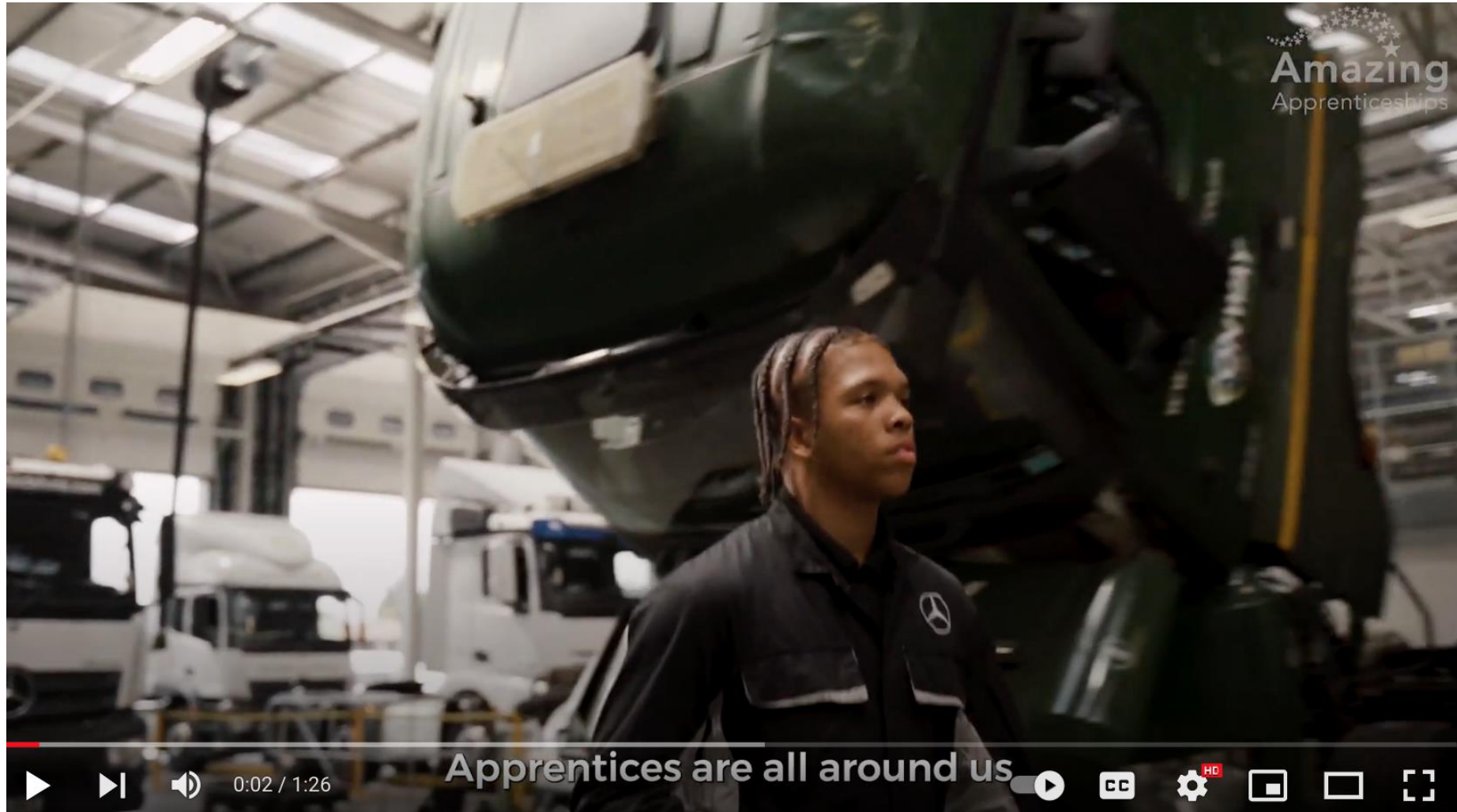
- Working with our training provider, you will study for the Workplace Pensions (administrator or consultant) Level 3 qualification through the Pension Management Institute
- Functional Skills in maths and English, if required
- The programme is well structured with the support of a skills coach, friendly mentors, and line managers to ensure you succeed in your role and study

What to expect at the end of your apprenticeship

- There are lots of opportunities to develop beyond your apprenticeship – these can include progressing through the business area you completed your apprenticeship in, or transferring to a different business area
- You will be encouraged to continue to study and develop your skills if you wish to do so

Pathway 3 – Apprenticeships

<https://www.youtube.com/embed/26HYYwPWSUk>

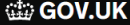


Pathway 3 – Apprenticeships

WORK BASED LEARNING

- ✓ Sign up to Find an Apprenticeship on Gov.uk website
- ✓ Important to create or develop a really strong CV & LinkedIn account

How to Find an Apprenticeship-<https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship>

 **GOV.UK**

[Home](#) > [Education and learning](#) > [Apprenticeships, 14 to 19 education and training for work](#)

Find an apprenticeship

Use this service to search and apply for apprenticeships in England.

During an apprenticeship, you'll:

- work and get paid
- train and gain a qualification

There's a different way to [apply if you live in Scotland](#), [apply if you live in Wales](#), or [apply if you live in Northern Ireland](#).


Who can do an apprenticeship

You can start an apprenticeship if you're:

- 16 or over - there's no upper age limit
- not in education (full or part-time)

You can have a previous qualification, like a degree, and still start an apprenticeship.

Before you start

 **GOV.UK** Find an apprenticeship [Sign in / Create account](#)

Find an apprenticeship

Search and apply for an apprenticeship in England

Important notice
National Apprenticeship Week
National Apprenticeship Week 2024 will run from Monday 5 to Sunday 11 February - find out how to get involved and download the toolkit at [National Apprenticeship Week](#).

Search

Keywords (optional)
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WORK BASED LEARNING

- ✓ Which employers offers Apprenticeships?



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Tools to help you with your choices

Unifrog an award-winning online careers platform – free to all CHA students

Explore your career interests and compare every Further Education course, every Apprenticeship and every University in the UK and internationally, to help you make informed decisions about your future.

Explore Pathways – take personality quizzes, interest and skills profiles

Compare every opportunity– you can compare every university course, every apprenticeship and every FE course both in the UK and Internationally and create your own personal shortlists.

Help with applications – simplify the application process with help and advice for your CV, Personal Statement and job applications.

Track and manage interactions – you can document all your career related activity and extracurricular activities in one place in your [Unifrog](#) account.

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Exploring pathways

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Placements

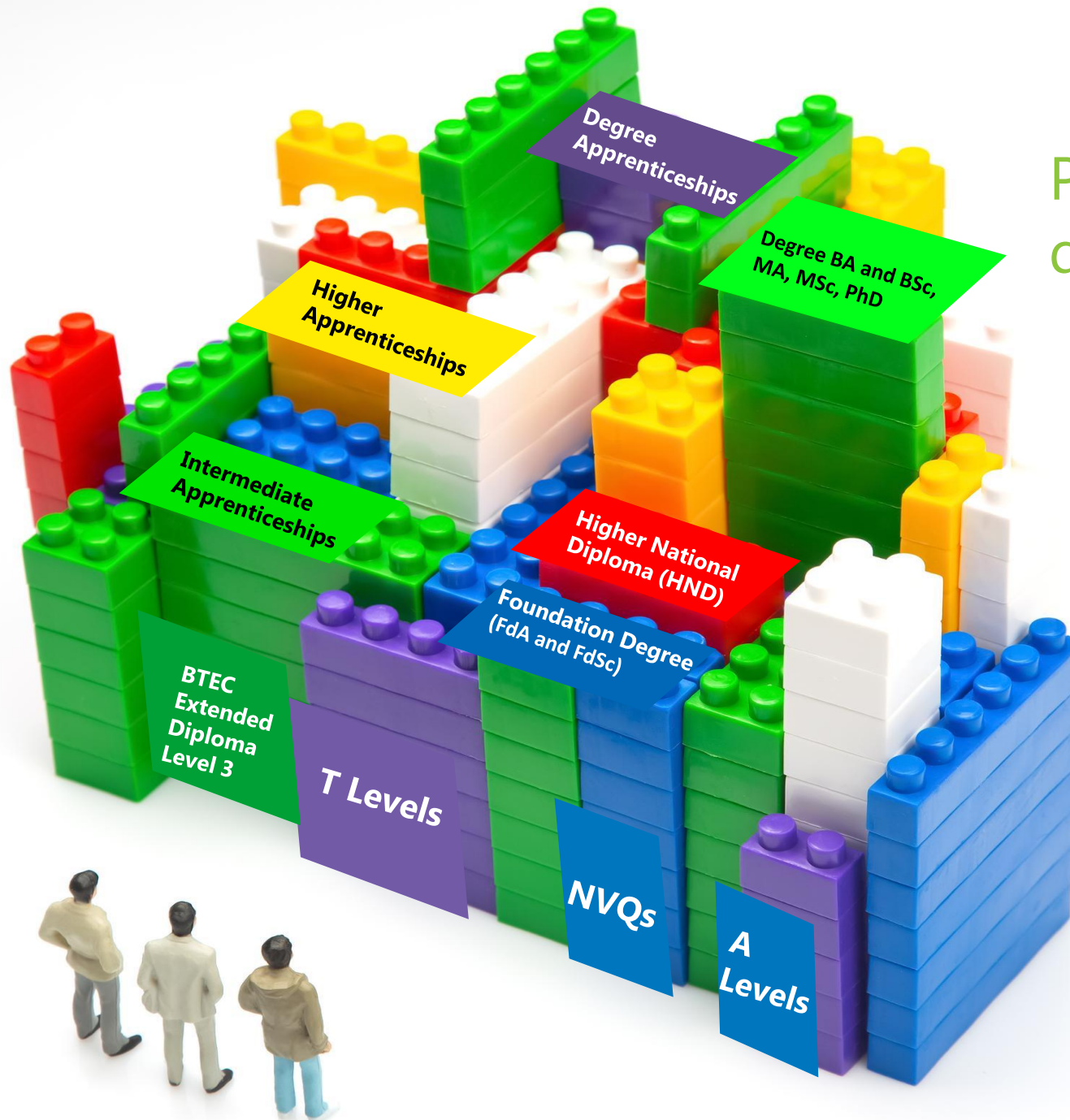
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Pathways can lead in many different directions.

Research your options – have a Plan A and Plan B – and apply to both

- What are your favourite subjects?
- How well are you performing at school?
- What are the courses where you are most successful?
- Any career plans or longer term education plans?
- CHA 6th Form Application deadline 31st January



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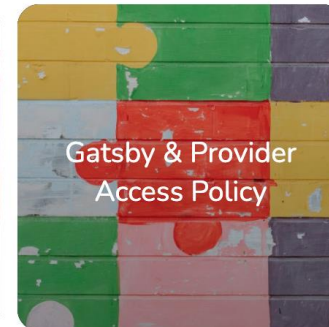
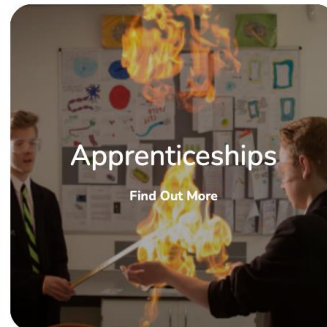
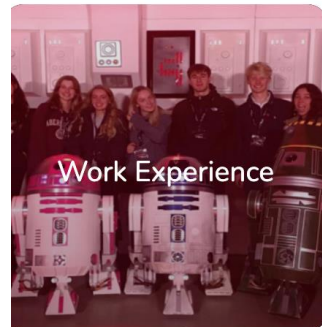
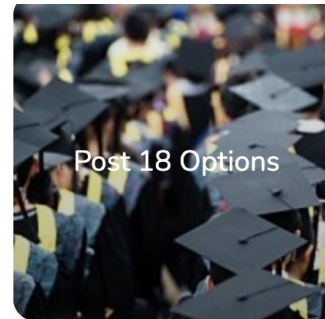
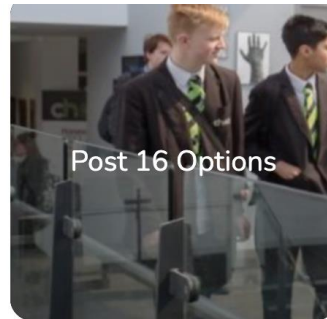
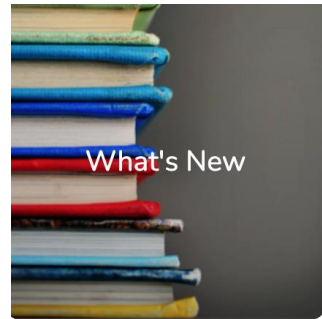
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