

# PETROC NEWS LETTER

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## IT'S NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK

### WELCOME

We hope your exam preparations are underway and you are remembering to fuel your brain to be the best you can be!

February is well upon us, and a main event that occurred this month was **National Apprenticeship Week**. This year's focus was 'Skills for Life'!

With data showing apprenticeships to have one of the most successful long-term outcome rates (1), it can be a great way to secure the skills required to retain employability within the sector, long term.

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Apprenticeships can be an excellent opportunity to gain a qualification, whilst earning a salary! Typically, four days are spent with an employer and one day will be in college completing theoretical learning - providing you with a high level of support both in and out of college.

What skills can be learnt through an apprenticeship?

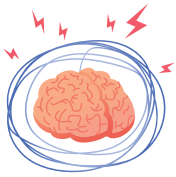
- Communication skills
- Organisation skills
- Teamwork
- Dependence
- Problem-solving skills
- Technical skills



## A TOOLKIT FOR APPRENTICES:



**ASK QUESTIONS** - You are learning, and a key element of learning is questioning why things are done the way they are. The more you understand the more value you will extract from your experience.



**PUSH YOURSELF** - Try something new! We all make mistakes; it's part of the process of learning. Test your boundaries - you may surprise yourself by how much you can achieve with the right help!



**MANAGE YOUR TIME** - Your apprenticeship will require you to complete both practical and theoretical work, so time management is key to a healthy work-life balance.

## WHAT OPPORTUNITIES ARE THERE FOR APPRENTICESHIPS AT PETROC?

We deliver apprenticeships ranging from Level 2 to degree level in a range of subjects, including:

CRAFT CARPENTRY & JOINERY

MACHINING TECHNICIAN

HEALTHCARE SUPPORT WORKER

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

ACCOUNTING

BRICKLAYING

ENGINEERING

EARLY YEARS

HAIRDRESSING

## DEGREE APPRENTICESHIPS COMING SOON TO PETROC!

### APPRENTICESHIP TALENT POOL

At Petroc, our specialist apprenticeship team can support you in finding the best possible employment match through our Talent Pool sessions. These sessions provide advice on a wide range of support including:

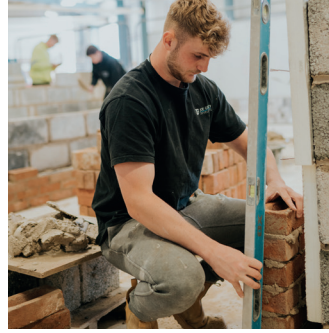
- Careers Skills (interview skills, application skills, CV writing skills).
- Skills scanning.
- Apprenticeship job search and applications.
- Apprenticeship FAQs.

Talent Pool sessions run between 3.00-6.00pm and we have plenty of availability coming up!

- 15 February
- 7 March
- 28 March
- 18 April
- 9 May

Just click on the link below to book your appointment:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/petroc-student-talent-pool-apprenticeship-application-support-tickets-379653713477?aff=oddtcreator>



## NEXT OPEN EVENT 2024

Don't worry if you've missed any of our open events, we have our final one of the year on Wednesday 13 March from 5.00-7.30pm! This will give you the opportunity to speak with our lecturers and gain any support you may need moving forward with your application!

## TOURS/VISITS

If you require any further support or would like a tour or visit of the campus, please contact [schoolliaison@petroc.ac.uk](mailto:schoolliaison@petroc.ac.uk) and we can arrange a convenient time with you.

Best of luck with your exams and please make sure to get those applications in, to ensure acceptance onto your preferred course

## SAFEGUARDING

Safeguarding and the wellbeing of our students is of great importance at Petroc. In order to become your best self, you must feel safe and secure. Thus, at Petroc we have a brilliant wellbeing service, including a range of highly skilled professionals.

Should you require any support and advice please contact [wellbeing@petroc.ac.uk](mailto:wellbeing@petroc.ac.uk). This service is open to everyone, no problem is ever too small!

Best wishes

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