



## Foundation Apprenticeships

Bringing education closer to industry. Foundation Apprenticeships give school pupils a taste of the world of work and help employers shape future talent

In S6 pupils can do a Foundation Apprenticeship as one of their senior subject choices. Pupils will get the chance to learn in a real workplace and develop the new skills future employers need.

### What are the benefits?

A FA is the same level of learning as a Higher (SCQF6). The difference is that pupils are assessed throughout the year, so there's no final exam. In addition to the coursework, pupils attend an extended work placement which will give them technical workplace knowledge, plus confidence, communication and teamwork skills.

### What can I do with my FA?

Foundation Apprenticeships can progress onto Modern Apprenticeships, further college courses, university or into employment. Foundation Apprenticeships are also recognised by Universities as a Higher at Grade A or B.

### What FA can I do?

Some Foundation Apprenticeships are **delivered in conjunction with the college campus** in Aberdeen under the two-year delivery model where they attend college for a day a week in S5 and complete an extended work placement in S6 alongside their school timetable. More detail about the FAs available through the college – see link

<https://nescol.ac.uk/courses/shcool-links/foundation-apprenticeships>

## Foundation Apprenticeships at Kemnay Academy

This year we are offering senior phase pupils the opportunity to study **2 Foundation Apprenticeships** within school. They will study the National Progression Award element of the FA as part of their normal S6 timetable in school. The college will then organise the work placement which usually will be undertaken alongside their normal timetable. Depending on the employers concerned there may be flexibility to complete the work experience during school holidays.

# 1. FA Social Services Children and Young People

Every child deserves the best start in life, and by enrolling on this course you can help to make sure this happens. If you enjoy working with young people, making sure they are healthy and happy and seeing them play, learn and develop confidence, this Foundation Apprenticeship could be for you. There's a big demand for skilled people in the sector, meaning there are lots of job opportunities and great progression routes!

## What you'll learn

For your National Progression Award, your topics will be:

- Safeguarding of Children and Young People
- Play for Children and Young People
- Communication with Children and Young People
- Development of Children and Young People
- Promote the Wellbeing and Safety of Children and Young People

To achieve your SVQ units, you'll be assessed as part of your work placement. You'll learn how to:

- Support effective communication
- Support the health and safety of yourself and individuals
- Develop your own knowledge and practice
- Support the safeguarding of children

## Qualifications you gain

You'll achieve a Foundation Apprenticeship (Group Award) in Social Services Children and Young People at SCQF Level 6, which includes:

- Four units from the SVQ2 in Social Services (Children and Young People) at SCQF Level 6
- A National Progression Award in Social Services (Children and Young People) at SCQF Level 6

## Entry requirements

This course is suited to school pupils who expect to continue at school until the end of S6 and are on track to achieve passes in related National 5 awards in S4.

## 2. FA Social Services & Healthcare

People are at the heart of healthcare and social services. If you have a passion for improving lives and helping others, a career in this rewarding field could be for you.

A Foundation Apprenticeship in Social Services and Healthcare helps you prepare for a wide range of different care roles. Care for sick, injured or disabled people as an adult nurse or children's nurse. Look after people at home or in residential homes as a care home manager, care assistant or residential support worker. Give advice and support to families to help them improve their lives as a social worker.

### What you'll learn

- Social Services in Scotland
- Safeguarding People
- Communication in Care Relationships
- Safe Practice and Wellbeing in Social Services
- Human Development and Social Influences

### Qualifications you gain

A Foundation Apprenticeship in Social Services & Health care at SCQF Level 6, which includes:

- National Progression Award (NPA)
- Work Placement Unit
- SQA Group Certification

### Entry requirements

This course is suited to school pupils who expect to continue at school until the end of S6.