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It's a date!

Add the week to your staff calendar and encourage departments and teams to get involved.

2 Staff briefing

Host a staff briefing for managers and heads of department to explain what the week is and how to get involved.

3 Share apprentice stories

Develop case studies of current or past apprentices within your organisation. Add these to your website and staff intranet.

L Back to the floor

Encourage senior leaders to go 'back to the floor' during the week, spending time with apprentices to learn more about what they do and how they study.

5 Daily themes

Use the daily themes of the week to inspire colleagues to be involved e.g. Employer Tuesday, Apprentice Wednesday, Celebration Friday.

6 Apprentice takeover

Arrange for apprentices to takeover your social media channels on Apprentice Wednesday.



7 Apprentice celebration

Invite apprentices and managers to a celebration breakfast or lunch to mark their achievements and celebrate their contributions.

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Special email signature

Encourage current and past apprentices to use an apprentice email signature 'I'm an apprentice – ask me how it works'.

9 Apprentice Appreciation poster Encourage apprentices to share 5 things they have achieved, and turn this into a poster to be displayed or email to colleagues to share internally.

10 Apprentice open day

Host an event for apprentices to bring in friends / family for a workplace tour and celebration lunch to network with colleagues or promote upcoming recruitment opportunities.

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Apprentice thank you 77

Arrange for senior leaders to send a message of support to apprentices, thanking them for the contribution they are making to the business.

12 Website homepage

Arrange to take over your company's homepage of the website for the week, promoting the apprenticeships that you offer.

13 Apprentice networking

Organise a local cross-networking event for apprentices to meet with other apprentices and share their experiences.

14 Products and packaging Celebrate apprentices through

your products / services (e.g. on labels or packaging).

15 Charity Challenge

Encourage apprentices to create and lead fundraising challenges to raise money for local causes.

16 Look behind the scenes

Hold an open day for local students and families to visit your site(s), speak with managers and have a tour of your facilities.

Engage your supply chain 17

Invite your supply chain businesses to join an event to discover more about recruiting apprentices and how levy-transfer works.

VIPs and media **18**

Invite your MP / other local VIPs to visit your site, meet apprentices and managers and have a tour of your facilities. A great PR opp.!

Spread the word **19**

Go out to local schools / colleges to speak with students and staff. Offer to run activities to prepare students for recruitment.

Support local careers fairs 20

Attend local careers fairs to showcase your organisation and speak with aspiring apprentices.

Business Breakfasts 21

Offer to speak at a local business breakfast to inspire the audience to see the benefits of apprenticeships.



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- **22** Create a webinar (or pre-record) Run a webinar (or create a prerecord) that can be promoted throughout the week to explain your apprenticeship offer.

23 Apprentices then and now Feature employees and their career

progression, showing where they started as an apprentice, and what they are doing now.

24 Put up a banner

Create a banner to use in reception areas or outside your building to let colleagues, clients and customers know that you are celebrating the week.

On the map 25

Don't forget to add all of your events and activities to the National Apprenticeship Week events map. The map feature is expected to launch in November 2024.

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Use the hashtag #NAW2025 or tag @apprenticeships and @AmazingAppsUK to share how you're celebrating the week.

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