

# Child Care and Education

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# Welcome

Welcome to Newbury College, your first choice for technical, career-focussed training.

As you look to start the next stage of your education, we are here to support you. We understand the transition from school can be daunting and our highly trained staff will guide you through the application and enrolment process, to get you on the right track to the career you want.

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# Why Newbury College?



## **PROGRESSION-FOCUSED**

- Subjects based on your chosen career
- Career-focused objectives



## **SKILLS-BASED**

- Fewer exams
- Different assessment methods
- Practical subjects



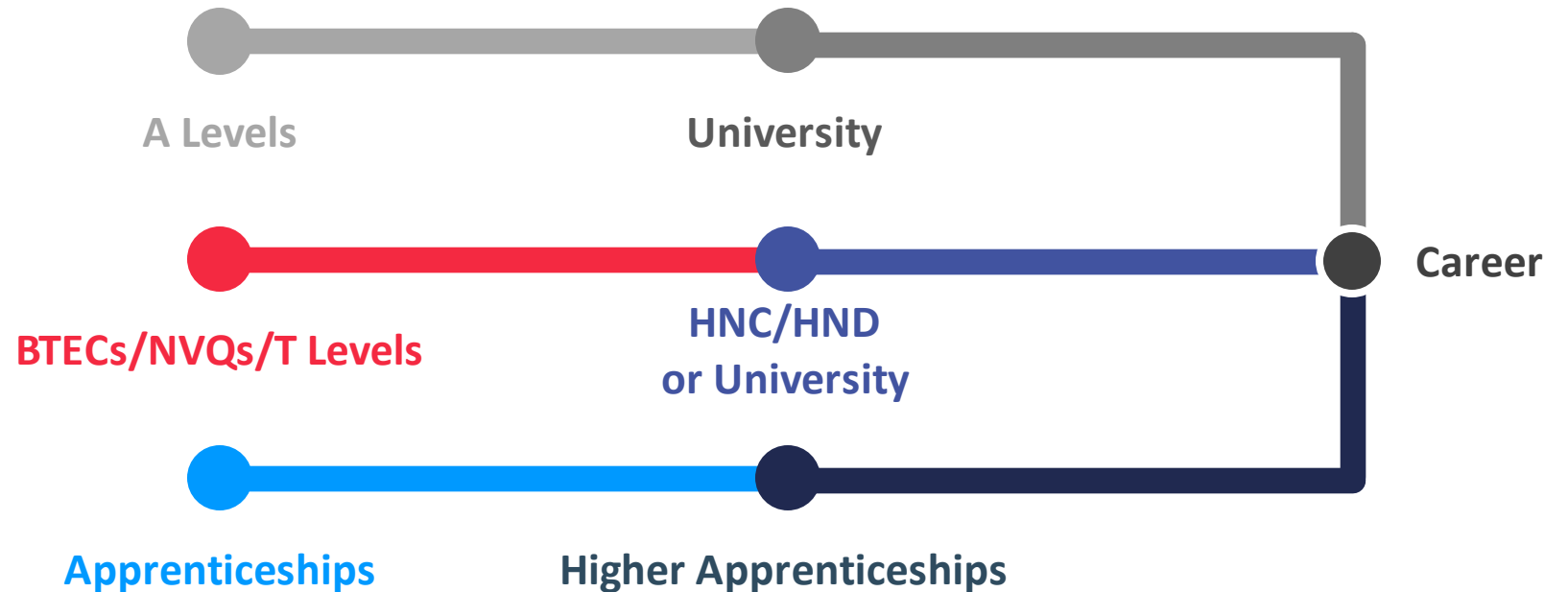
## **EMPLOYER-LED**

- Industry placements with excellent employers
- Curriculum influenced by businesses



# College Progression vs Sixth Form

- ✓ Faster route to your chosen career
- ✓ More options available
- ✓ Lower cost and debt-free Higher Education\*



# Your study programme

Full-time study programmes are assessed in a variety of ways, rather than just through the traditional essay and exam methods, this can be beneficial to students who prefer to be assessed differently and demonstrate their skills in other ways.

## VOCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Career-focused qualifications that meet needs of employers and job sectors like **BTECs**, **NVQs** and **T Levels**.

Your **Academic Tutorial** will help you to set targets and monitor your progress.

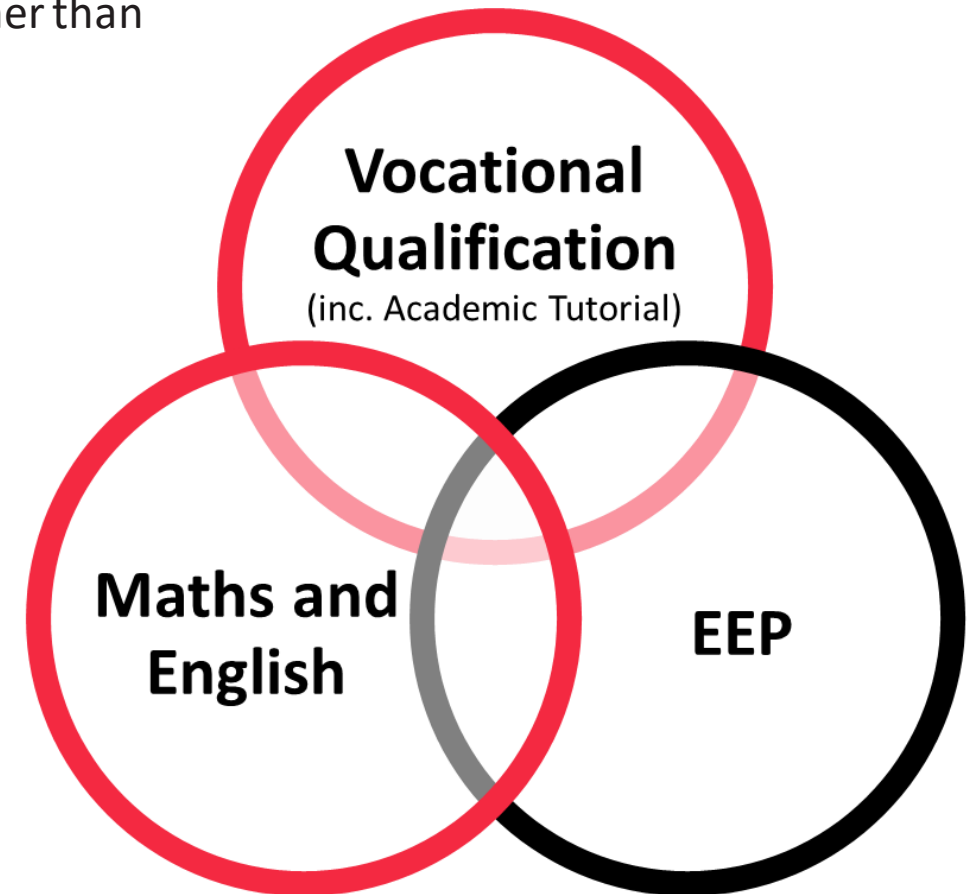
## MATHS AND ENGLISH

You may need to resit your English and/or maths qualifications. We will support you in achieving your target grade.

## EEP

EEP stands for **Employment**, **Enrichment** and **Pastoral**.

It provides you with a wide range of opportunities to enrich your learning and professional development beyond your main subject of interest. These could include sports, clubs and activities, trips and visits, work placement and work-related activity, tutorial sessions and guest speakers.



# Placements and Partnerships

## EMPLOYABILITY

A special WRA programme built into your course to learn the skills for the workplace including:

- CV and interview preparation
- vacancy and application writing
- trips and employer visits
- employer supported projects and activities
- apprenticeship and progression opportunities

## WORK PLACEMENTS

All Childcare Level 2 and Level 3 students will participate in block weeks from 1 to 4 weeks in length, these often lead to jobs and part-time work alongside your course. Work placement hours vary depending on courses.



# Work placement settings

- Level 2 and Level 3 Students are required to undertake mandatory work placement to gain their license to practice . This is 250 hours for level 2 and 750 for level 3 over 3 age groups .
- In Level 1 students take part in work experience opportunities to gain experience working with children.
- Work placement is one of the bonuses of studying on a vocational course; not only will you achieve qualifications that academic bodies will recognise, the work experience you will gain is something employers will see as very important, priceless and often essential.
- Our work placement's team can support you with finding a placement or you may already have a setting in mind.
- Many of our students secure full time positions within their settings at the end of their chosen qualifications.





# Level 1 Caring for Children

This qualification is a one-year course and aims to provide you with a range of essential skills and knowledge which will equip you to seek employment or further training within the childcare industries or at college. This qualification covers some basic skills and knowledge needed to work within childcare.

This course is the Level 1 Certificate and Diploma in Caring for Children. From the course you will gain experience of working with children in different settings and learn to work under supervision with young children. It is aimed at a range of learners, including young people needing to develop life skills as well as those who are thinking of working in childcare.

This course is ideal for those who want to enter a career in Childcare. Level one can progress on to a related level 2 qualifications. It is a very varied and interesting course with lots of fun and challenging aspects to it.





This qualification is a one year course and aims to provide you with a range of essential skills and knowledge which will equip you to seek employment or further training within the childcare industries. You will cover child development, partnership working and safeguarding as well as working skills specific to childcare. This qualification covers the basic skills, knowledge and understanding needed to work within childcare.

Along with the units that you will study in college you will also attend several different work placements during the course. This is one of the bonuses of studying on a vocational course; not only will you achieve qualifications that academic bodies will recognise, the work experience you will gain is something employers will see as very important, priceless and often essential.



# Level 3 Diploma in Childcare and Education (Early Years Educator)

  
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This qualification is a two-year course and aims to provide you with a range of essential skills and knowledge which will equip you to seek employment or further training within the childcare industries or university. You will cover child development, partnership working and safeguarding as well as working skills specific to childcare. This qualification covers more in-depth skills, knowledge and understanding needed to work within childcare.

Upon achievement of the Level 3 Diploma in Childcare and Education it is intended that you will be able to access higher education or enter the workforce as Early Years Educators.

The course supports you in gaining a broad theoretical knowledge and practical experiences of working as an early years practitioner in a range of environments.



# Visits and trips

We engage with many employers within the childcare and education sector.

As well your work placement hours, we also invite speakers into college to talk to the students about different roles within the childcare sector.

Organisations include:

- Mainstream/private nurseries
- Special Educational Needs settings
- Charitable organisations for example MENCAP, SAFE and Time to Talk.

We also offer social trips at the end of the year.





# Assessment

To achieve the Level 1 Caring for Children you must successfully complete all 14 units over the space of the year, all mandatory with written assignments and practical work.

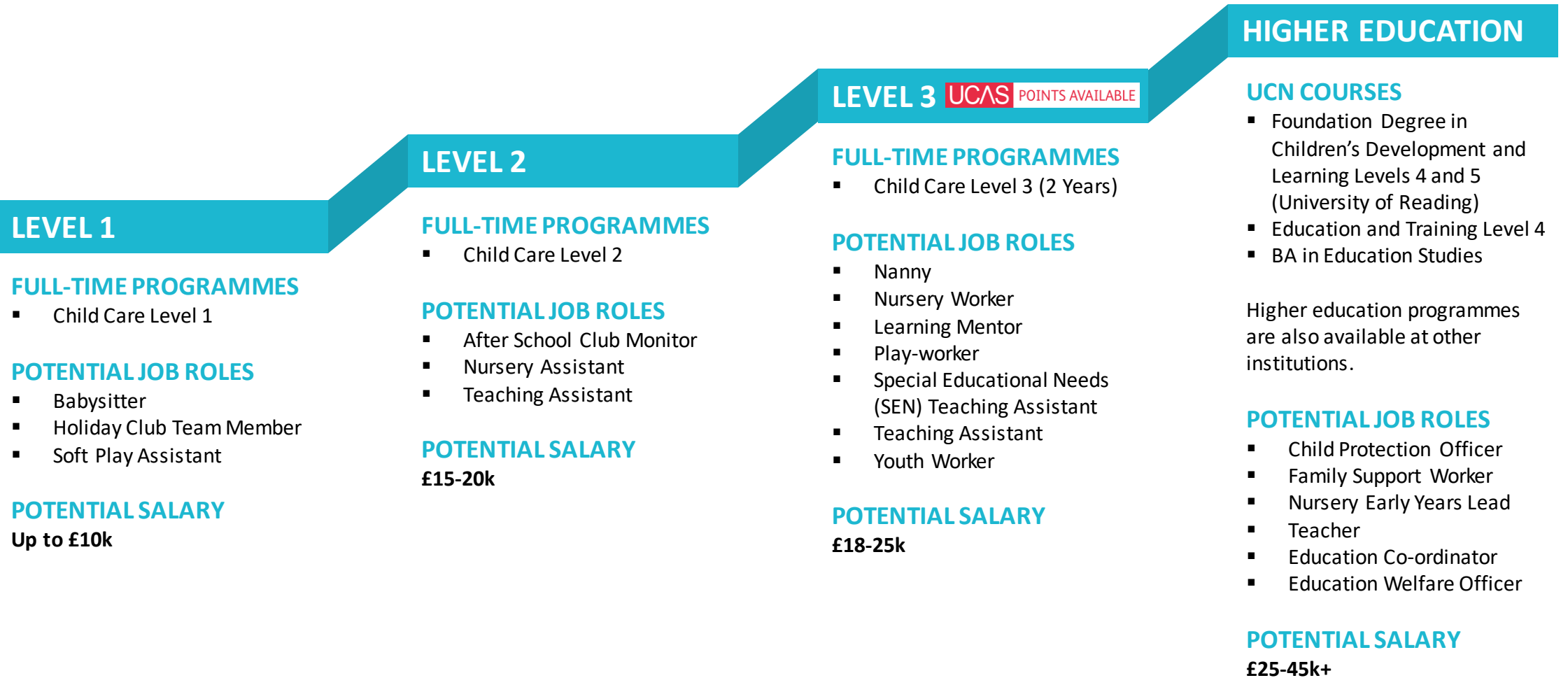
To achieve the NCFE CACHE Level 2 Diploma for the Early Years Practitioner, you must successfully complete all 14 units and 250 placement hours. This will be in the form of written assignments, completion of a work experience portfolio and observations by your tutors.

To achieve the Level 3 Diploma in Childcare and Education, you must successfully complete all 13 units and 750 placement hours over the two years, your knowledge for these units will be assessed using written assignments, completion of a work experience portfolio and observations by your tutors. You will complete one external assessment each year that is set and assessed by CACHE/NCFE.





# Progression



# How we can help

Tutors and support staff work closely together and with other local partners to provide you with:

- Learning support
- Progression coaching
- Health and wellbeing advice
- Financial support including free travel, meals and help with child care costs
- Careers advice
- Help with university applications



# Funding your programme



Education & Skills  
Funding Agency

## The Education & Skills Funding Agency (ESFA)

The Education & Skills Funding Agency funds adult Further Education (FE) and skills training in England. It forms part of a network of organisations in England who commission, manage and promote training for adults and young people. The ESFA funds non-levy Apprenticeships (16yrs +), work placed and classroom based learning programmes throughout England for learners aged 19 and above. If you are enrolled onto an ESFA funded programme this is match funded by the European Social Fund (ESF). The ESFA also funds programmes for individuals aged 14-19 which includes the Study Programme (16-19) and Traineeships (16-18).



European Union  
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Social Fund

## European Social Fund (ESF)

You may be enrolled onto a specific ESF project which will be funded by the European Union or if you are engaged onto any of our ESFA programmes, including non levy Apprenticeships, then this will be matched funded by ESF.

## Any questions?

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If you have any questions or require further information on this course or any other aspects of studying at Newbury College, please contact us.



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