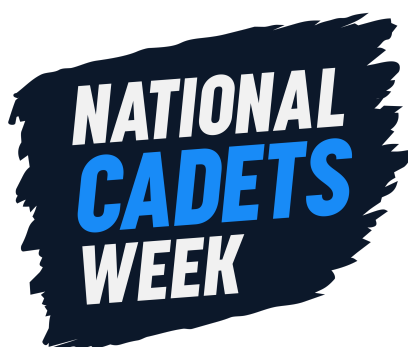




National Cadets Week - 5 - 11 October



National Cadets Week (NCW) is the first national celebration dedicated to showcasing the impact of the UK's MOD-sponsored cadet forces. The week is designed to inspire, recruit and celebrate, highlighting how cadets develop young people, strengthen communities and develop young people into leaders of the future.

Across the UK, more than 137,000 cadets and 28,000 adult volunteers from the five MOD-sponsored cadet forces will participate in activities that demonstrate the value of cadet service, youth development and volunteering.

Inspire

Showcase the opportunities available through the cadet experience, including leadership, teamwork, first aid, resilience, STEM, communication and citizenship.

Recruit

Increase awareness among young people, parents, employers and communities, culminating in a national network of Open Days on Saturday 10 October

Celebrate

Recognise the contribution of Cadet Force Adult Volunteers (CFAVs), acknowledge community partnerships and highlight positive social impact of cadet forces nationwide.

Key Messaging



Cadets contribute directly to local communities through volunteering and civic action.



MOD Sponsored Cadet forces provide young people with skills, confidence, discipline and opportunities regardless of background.



Cadet training develops practical life skills including leadership, first aid, teamwork and resilience.



Adult volunteers are the heart of the MOD Sponsored Cadet Forces delivering approximately 11.6 million hours of volunteering service annually.

A summary of the week's main activities:

Date		Focus	Background
	Monday 5 October	Launch of Cadet Action Plan	National Launch of the future ambitions to bring the cadet forces to the areas of greatest need across the UK, and to give greater support to our volunteers.
	Tuesday 6 October	Cadets in the Community & Whitehall Takeover	25 Cadets will tour No10 and visit key government departments. Cadets to share their stories of cadets with their peers at schools to invite them to open days taking place on Saturday across the country.
	Wednesday 7 October	Adult Volunteer Celebration	Adult Volunteers Recognition Dinner to launch Annual Awards Night
	Thursday 8 October	Cadets Save Lives	Thousands of cadets will take part in first aid lessons at units to show the huge community impact. Sharing stories of cadets performing Lifesaving First Aid in their local communities
	Friday 9 October	Skills for Life	Celebrate the skills and values cadets of today bring to the workforce with an Industry event aimed at gathering support of industry for the leaders of the future.
	Saturday 10 October	Cadet Open Days	A chance for interested youth and volunteers to get a taster into what cadets is like and if it would be suitable for them. The largest event is happening at Portsmouth Historic Dockyard, hosted by the Royal Navy.