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Skills

- Linux
- Vim
- Git
- HTML 5
- SCSS
- JavaScript
- React
- BaaS

Hobbies

- Cycling
- Photography
- Travel
- Mechanical Keyboards
- Live Music

Joe Folkard
Junior Software Developer

Nology 12 week Boot Camp - 2021

Self funded software development course. This focused on the core skills needed to transition into a career in tech. I built a game in vanilla **JavaScript** in a week, designed and built a portfolio from scratch and found a interest for **React** and the modular approach to building applications

I found on the course that I enjoyed the free form nature of coding and being able to literally build anything if you put your mind to it. I like how the learning experience is infinite and there are loads of different avenues to go down in software.

Some of the tools learned were: **HTML 5, SCSS, JavaScript, React, Git, Agile, Soft skills, Cypress and Enzyme testing.**

I also have touched on **TypeScript, Angular, OOP, Node.js** and **Firebase.**

Software Projects

College thrifts – college-thrifts.web.app
A **collaborative** project to build an **MVP** within four weeks in **React**, utilising **pair programming** as well as 1 week **sprints,** while also maintaining an **Agile** work environment. There were weekly catch ups with the client for progress updates and the **product** was fully tested before hand over using **Enzyme**.
One of the tickets I had to complete was implementing the **backend** as a service. I found this a particularly interesting challenge as I had no prior knowledge about **backend**.

Morse code translator
Using vanilla **JavaScript** and **SCSS** I created a morse-code translator.

Planet API
I created a simple **API** using **Node.js**, **Postman** and made a simple front end using **React**.

Employment

2006-2021 – Scaffolder.
I have worked for a large part of my adult life as a scaffolder working on a wide variety of projects around the country. **Communication**, **problem-solving** and **hitting deadlines** were all part of my daily work flow. Keeping the client happy was paramount. Throughout my career I have learned to be **adaptable** and because of this I am confident in my **ability** to transition into a new field within the tech industry.

Summer 2012 – Support Operations Coordinator.
I worked with the overall support of the Sailing village. The role was to ensure everything in the village ran smoothly enabling the Olympians to focus on their events without any additional worries.

Winter 2011/2012 – Chalet Host.
My partner and I ran a luxury chalet in the heart of the Rhone Alps.

Summer 2009 – Photographers Assistant.
I assisted a photographer on some high profile shoots for the BBC and SKY.

Education

2009 & 2015: CISRS Part 1 & 2 Scaffolding qualification - self funded.
2009 – part 1.
2015 – part 2 & NVQ 2.

2000-2005: Axe Valley Community College
2005 - 9 x A*-C Grade GCSE.