

# MATTHEW GRAHAM

## RAHORAN LTD JOINERY APPRENTICE

**Matthew Graham is a joinery apprentice for Rahoran Ltd, a residential and construction company based in Fivemiletown and is completing his NVQ Level 3 apprenticeship in joinery full time, based with his employer and attending the college one day per week.**

Matthew is a very dedicated and hardworking member of the team which was acknowledged recently when he won FMB NI Apprentice of the Year earlier this year, he has made an impression on his employer with his willingness to take on and succeed with a wide range of challenges in both residential and commercial jobs.

Speaking about his experience in the construction industry and why he followed the apprenticeship route he said, "I've always had an interest in construction. A family friend gave me the opportunity to gain hands-on experience in my younger years and my school subjects focused on technology, design and engineering to A Level which guided me towards the path of joinery. I have never looked back, I really enjoy seeing the finished product when completed, working as part of a team and the variety of the work. The Fermanagh weather can be challenging on some of the outdoor projects but it is all part of the job."



Matthew is currently working on a key residential development in the Fermanagh area with his main areas of work focusing on joisting houses, building stud walls, plasterboarding, fitting door frames and laying flooring.

Heather Kirkpatrick from Rahoran Ltd said, "We are extremely proud of Matthew and how he has developed his skills over the past few years. He can be relied upon to adapt and perform well in any environment, a true team player and asset to the company."

On encouraging others to enter the industry Matthew said, "You need an eye for detail and a passion for your line of work, be prepared to listen to advice and feedback on your projects and get all the hands on experience you can. It is a great industry to join, lots of variety and pride in seeing a project completed



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