

Subject Choices

Skills Development Scotland (SDS) is Scotland's careers service and we have Careers Advisers in every state secondary school in Scotland. Choosing their subjects is an important time for your child and we would like to make you aware of how we're helping.

Help from their Careers Adviser in school

If your child is in S2, they have already met their Careers Adviser in a group session during Assembly. If your child is in S3 or S4/5, the Careers Adviser has contributed to subject choice discussions in PSE and Senior Life respectively via recorded webinars and Google Classroom support/resources shared with their PT Pupil Support.

The link below gives online access to our 'Future Me: Subject Choices magazine' – physical copies of which would normally be handed out during S3 group sessions:

https://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/sites/default/files/0822_Future_me_Subject%20choices_Spreads.pdf

Please contact the SDS Careers Adviser attached to Bucksburn Academy with any queries:
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How you can help

Whilst Senior Phase pupils will already have started to consider the career planning process, it is never too early for younger pupils to understand more about themselves and consider their strengths and interests. This can be really helpful when choosing subjects.

A good place to start is My World of Work – Scotland's careers website. It is packed full of activities, tools and tips to help them make the right decisions about their future.

To get started please encourage your child to visit www.myworldofwork.co.uk/subjectchoices and work through the following Action Plan:

1. Register on My World of Work
2. Complete the About Me quiz
3. Try the Strengths tool
4. Try the Skills tool
5. Use the Subject Choices tool

Completing these tasks will help your child begin to develop career management skills and to find ideas for careers suited to them.

For more information on how best to support your child with subject choices and careers generally, please visit www.myworldofwork.co.uk/parents + www.mykidscareer.com