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Dear Parent/Carer

This week, we started our course choice processes with pupils in S3 upwards.  Our planning for course choice for pupils in our current S2 are being finalised and this information will be with your shortly.  In the meantime, you may find this opportunity being offered by Skills Development Scotland useful for both you and your child.

 **Helping your child with S2/3 subject choices - support for parents and carers**

Skills Development Scotland (SDS) is offering parents and carers an online opportunity to find out more about how they can help their child make their S2/3 subject choices for the Senior Phase. Scotland’s national skills agency has organised the virtual session on Thursday 25 February which will also give parents and carers information about accessing a wide range of SDS support.

Careers advisers Joan Duncan and Gemma Smith will be providing expert advice for parents and carers of young people in S2 and S3.

Joan said: “Thinking about what options to choose at school can be daunting for young people and their parents and carers. As well as this session, SDS also has a [Subject Choices tool | My World of Work](https://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/tools/subject-choices) on SDS’s My World of Work website which helps pupils explore where options choices can take them.

“It gives young people and their parents and carers the opportunity to explore job profiles, industries, Foundation and Modern Apprenticeships, refine their search by what someone is most interested in and use the tool as many times as they like to find out more about different options. There are other tools to try and the more tools you try, the better career suggestions we can give.”

**This virtual event, which is from 6.30pm until 7.15pm on Thursday 25 February, will also have a question and answer session.**

**To take part please register**[Helping your child with S2/3 subject choices Tickets, Thu 25 Feb 2021 at 18:30 | Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/helping-your-child-with-s23-subject-choices-tickets-141267909119)

Thank you



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