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Dear Head Teacher,

I am delighted to introduce a new career education resource from the National Parent Forum of Scotland, produced in partnership with Skills Development Scotland.

*Career Education: A World of Possibilities* is the latest in our popular '... *in a Nutshell*' series, which provides helpful summaries of different aspects of the Curriculum for Excellence with the aim of informing parents so that they can play a full role in their child's education. The Nutshells have been positively received by parents, pupils and teachers alike.

This nutshell introduces the new approach to career education and provides parents with an overview of what they can expect at different stages of their child's learning journey. It emphasises the range of different pathways that are now available to young people, and provides graphics to illustrate how these options can all lead to the positive outcome of a rewarding career.

*Career Education: A World of Possibilities* is being sent out in hard copy to all schools this week, and we would be grateful if you could ensure that they are distributed to all your pupils. The idea is that pupils will share the leaflet with their parent or carer, and that it will support discussions between parents and children about subjects, courses and careers options.

The nutshell can also be accessed online at: <u>http://www.npfs.org.uk/career-education-a-world-of-possibilities/</u>

We hope that your pupils, parent forum and staff all find this leaflet helpful.

Yours in partnership,

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