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Dear Parent/Carer,

### **Future Careers Event**

An information evening for parents/carers of S4, S5 and S6 pupils will take place at Stirling High School on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm.

The format will be as follows:

#### **Session 1**

Welcome and introduction by Tracey Henderson, Team Leader for Skills and Youth Employment as part of Schools, Learning and Education for Stirling Council. (Approximately 15 minutes in the Assembly Hall)

#### **Session 2 Workshop Sessions**

Parents will be guided, in rotation, around 6 workshops designed to inform how Stirling High is developing our young workforce. Each workshop is scheduled to last approximately 20 minutes, a brief summary of workshop content is listed below:-

##### **Workshop 1 – Skills Development Scotland**

Presented by Alison Adam (Careers Advisor), this workshop will focus on the role of SDS and the support they offer to our young people as they journey through the Broad General Education, into the Senior Phase and in helping them to achieve a positive destination post school.

##### **Workshop 2 – Career fair**

University of Stirling, University of Strathclyde, University of Glasgow, Edinburgh Napier University and Leith School of Art will be available to discuss courses. Careers in Early Years and Childcare will be represented. Local business partners will provide parents / carers the opportunity to hear directly from employers the skills and attributes they are looking for in potential employees.

##### **Workshop 3 – University of Dundee**

Representatives from the University of Dundee will discuss the array of courses available and will offer advice on UCAS applications.

##### **Workshop 4 – Forth Valley College**

Ernie Romer, School Provision Co-ordinator from Forth Valley College, will showcase the variety of courses and flexible pathways on offer at FVC. It will also highlight our partnership working with FVC in delivering a joint provision for young people in the senior phase. e.g. Foundation Apprenticeships delivered by FVC to some of our young people in S5/6.

##### **Workshop 5 – Apprenticeships**

Facilitated by Kenny Stewart (FES), this interactive workshop will show how these organisations support young people to start employment as Modern Apprentices, allowing them to continue learning key skills and gain further qualifications.

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**Workshop 6 – Work Experience**

Past and present pupils of Stirling High, will share how they have aligned themselves to make a successful transition from school to their chosen career. There will be an opportunity for Parents to ask this panel of young people about their first hand experiences and how those experiences enhanced their ability to achieve a positive destination.

We hope you will find the information sessions helpful and look forward to welcoming you on this evening. Refreshments will be available at a cafe run by our parent council.

To assist us with domestic arrangements we would be grateful if you could complete the tear off slip below and ask your child to return it to the school office.

Yours sincerely

Mr Paul Downie  
Depute Head Teacher

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Please return this slip by Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October.

Child's Name

Form Class

I can / cannot attend the S4, S5 and S6 parent Information Evening on Oct 17th.  
If attending please indicate the number of people from your family who will be there.

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