

School Career Service

Skills Development Scotland (SDS) is the national career service, with careers advisers in every state secondary school in Scotland. The careers advisers in Portlethen Academy are **Rhona McComiskie** and **Jennifer Johnston**.



Rhona

Jennifer

This service helps young people develop their career management skills, and make good decisions for their future.

Your young person will speak to their adviser at points throughout the school year and will also be supported by them at key times such as starting S1, making option choices, and preparing for moving on from school. This will be delivered through drop-ins, one-to-one appointments, and group learning sessions.

There is lots of useful career information and advice available at any time through Scotland's careers website [My World of Work](#). There is also a [dedicated area for parents and carers](#) with information to help you have career conversations at home.

If you or your young person would like to make an appointment with your school careers adviser, please contact the school office for details or contact SDS careers advisers directly: Rhona McComiskie: Rhona.mccomiskie@sds.co.uk or Jennifer Johnston: Jennifer.johnston@sds.co.uk.

Beyond school, SDS advisers are also available at one of SDS's network of centres or community venues across the country. Visit myworldofwork.co.uk/centres to find your nearest centre, or call the SDS freephone helpline on 0800 917 8000 (Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm).

You can also find out more about SDS's career service in schools at sds.co.uk