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Dear Parent/Carer

Connexions: Information for Parents and Carers

We know that you have a key role to play in helping your son or daughter make important decisions about their future and we want to make sure you have the information you need to help them make an informed choice.

Connexions is a publicly funded service, for young people to get the information, advice and support they may need during their teenage years.

We provide most schools in this area with careers software which young people can use to get information about jobs, making choices, qualifications and such like. Some of these can also help link subjects to jobs, so might be useful when your child is looking at options. It is possible to use these programmes from home if you have Internet access. Details are available in schools.

'Parents and Carers of Year 9 Students' and 'Which Way Now?' are national magazines that provide information to parents and year 9 students. Copies were sent to most schools across Bournemouth, Dorset and Poole in the autumn term.

You can download these publications at www.connexions-bdp.co.uk or use the interactive versions at www.connexions-direct.com. If you need a version in large print or another language, contact DCSF Publications, PO Box 5050, Sherwood, Nottingham NG15 0DJ or telephone 0845 602 2260.

'Understanding Your Teenager' is a local publication for parents, covering a wide range of issues affecting teenagers.

'Essential Guide: Parents and Carers' is a new, local publication that has been produced for parents and carers of young people who have a learning difficulty or disability.

If you would like copies of our publications, contact Connexions on 0800 358 3888.

Yours sincerely

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Connexions Across Bournemouth, Dorset & Poole

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