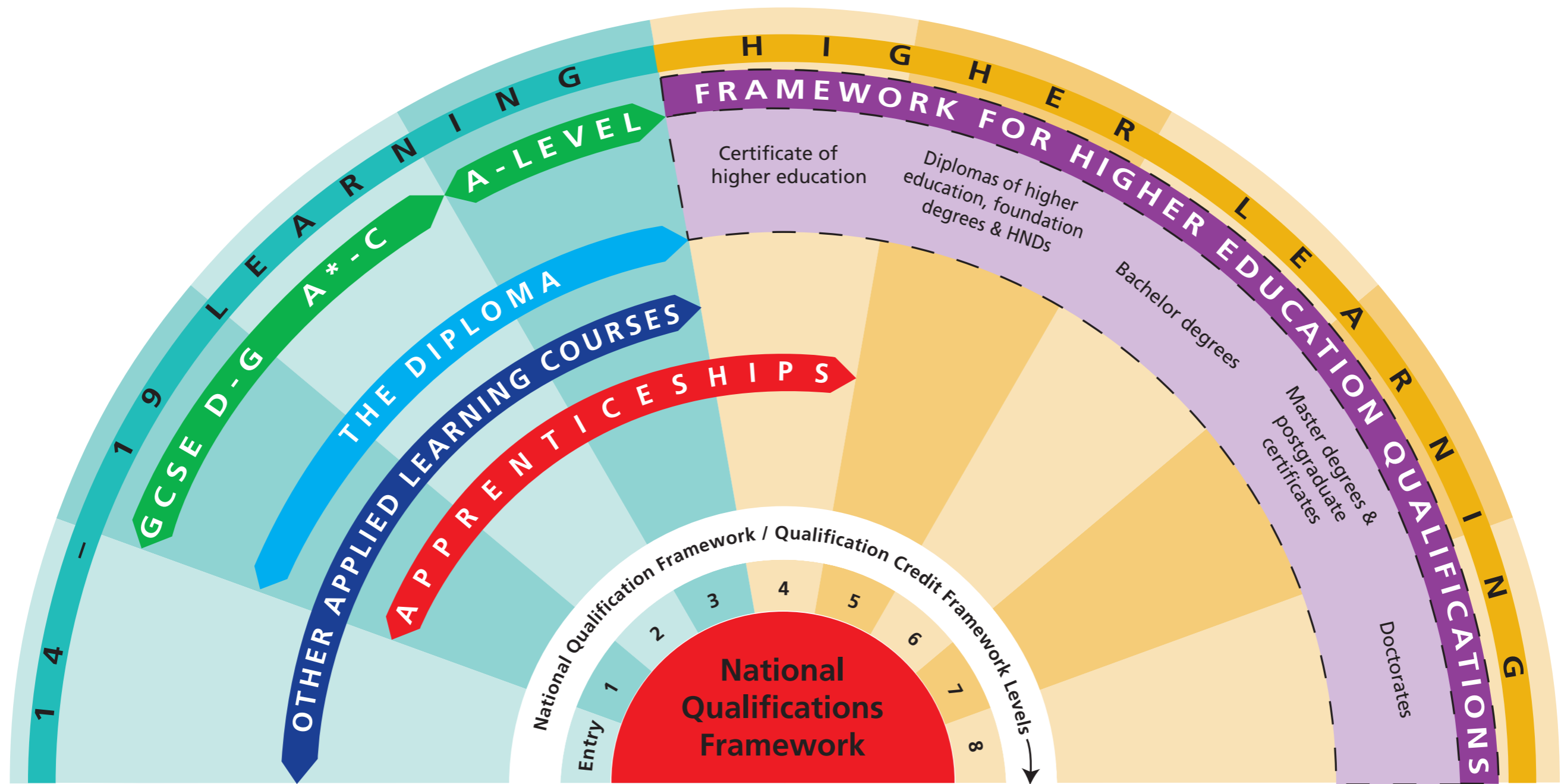


The National Qualifications Framework (NQF)



Work is currently taking place to change the Framework to become the Qualifications and Credit Framework (QCF). This will require revisions to the NQF system but it is thought probable that the levels will be retained.

Students, parents/carers and colleagues need to be aware of the Framework in order to be able to plan their progression and next steps.

You can help your students understand the NQF by:

1. Putting the 14-19 Learning Routes on the wall of your classroom to help students see their possible routes of progression.
2. Giving each student a copy of the NQF table (above) and discussing it with them.
3. Showing each student the point they are currently at & helping them work out where they could move next.
4. Relating qualifications offered in your school or in local Prospectuses to the different levels of the framework.
5. Encouraging students to use careers information available from the Information Centre in your school and to talk to the Connexions Personal Adviser to deepen their understanding of career and job requirements.