



S2 into S3 Options

Thursday 18th February 2016

Welcome

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- S3 Options
- S3 Course Application Form



Structure of the Curriculum

Changes imposed by Highland Council:

- Whole council moving to 4½ day week
- All Secondary schools to move to 33 period week
- Secondary schools to accommodate changes with minimal impact on start/finish times and transport



Structure of the Curriculum

What does this mean for us?

Current School Week

	08:45 start		15:20 finish	
Mon				
Tue				
Wed				
Thu				
Fri				

New School Week

	08:45 start		15:30 finish Mon - Thu		
Mon					
Tue					
Wed					
Thu					
Fri					

13:10 finish on Fri

- 33 × 50 minute periods – Overall teaching time remains the same
- Four 7 period days and one 5 period day (Friday)
- No Registration period
- Same start: 08:45
- Mon – Thu finish at 15:30, Friday finish at 13:10
- Earlier bus on Friday for Newmore & Milton pupils

S3 Curriculum

Every child and young person is entitled to expect their education to provide them with:

- **a broad general education**, including well planned experiences and outcomes **across all the curriculum areas** from early years through to S3

The Scottish Government (2008), Building the Curriculum 3

The principles for curriculum design: challenge and enjoyment; breadth; progression; depth; personalisation and choice; coherence; relevance.

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S3 Curriculum:

- 7 Core subjects (15 periods per week)
- 6 Option choices (3 periods each per week)
- Total: 33 periods

Our S3 curriculum enables full coverage of all curricular areas while incorporating the principles for curriculum design.

S3 Curriculum

Core subjects

English (4)

Maths (4)

PE (2) }
PSE (1) }

French (2)

RME (1)

Skills (1)

Literacy

Numeracy

Health & Wellbeing

Modern Languages

Religious & Moral education

Enhanced Support



S3 Options

6 Option choices (3 periods per week)

Administration & IT
Computing
Design & Technology
Enterprising Crafts
Graphic Communication

Art
Music

Food & Health Studies
French
Gaelic
Physical Education

Biology
Chemistry
Physics
Science

History
Geography
Modern Studies
Philosophy & Ancient Beliefs

One choice from each
Curricular Area (coloured)
plus 2 additional choices

S3 Course Application Form

Tick **ONE** subject to apply for in each of Columns 1 to 6. Please state your second choice subject in columns 1 - 6.

You must have **at least one choice** in each colour **YELLOW, GREEN, RED** and **BLUE**.

All pupils will study Maths, English, French and Core PE, RME, PSE and Skills

COLUMN 1

Food & Health Studies	<input type="checkbox"/>
Geography	<input type="checkbox"/>
Graphic Communication	<input type="checkbox"/>
Science	<input type="checkbox"/>

2nd choice

COLUMN 2

Chemistry	<input type="checkbox"/>
Enterprising Crafts	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gaelic	<input type="checkbox"/>
Music	<input type="checkbox"/>

COLUMN 3

Art	<input type="checkbox"/>
Design & Technology Skills	<input type="checkbox"/>
French	<input type="checkbox"/>
Physics	<input type="checkbox"/>

COLUMN 4

Administration & IT	<input type="checkbox"/>
Biology	<input type="checkbox"/>
Modern Studies	<input type="checkbox"/>
Physical Education	<input type="checkbox"/>

2nd choice

COLUMN 5

Art	<input type="checkbox"/>
Computing	<input type="checkbox"/>
Food & Health Studies	<input type="checkbox"/>
History	<input type="checkbox"/>

COLUMN 6

Food & Health Studies	<input type="checkbox"/>
Graphic Communication	<input type="checkbox"/>
Music	<input type="checkbox"/>
Philosophy & Ancient Beliefs	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Example

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Food & Health Studies	<input type="checkbox"/>
Geography	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Graphic Communication	<input type="checkbox"/>
Science	<input type="checkbox"/>

2nd choice

Graph Comm

COLUMN 2

Chemistry	<input type="checkbox"/>
Enterprising Crafts	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gaelic	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Music	<input type="checkbox"/>

Chemistry

COLUMN 3

Art	<input type="checkbox"/>
Design & Technology Skills	<input type="checkbox"/>
French	<input type="checkbox"/>
Physics	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

French

COLUMN 4

Administration & IT	<input type="checkbox"/>
Biology	<input type="checkbox"/>
Modern Studies	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Physical Education	<input type="checkbox"/>

2nd choice

Admin & IT

COLUMN 5

Art	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Computing	<input type="checkbox"/>
Food & Health Studies	<input type="checkbox"/>
History	<input type="checkbox"/>

Computing

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Music

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