

# S3 Pathways

Parents and Carers  
Information Evening

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- ▶ Last week you had a practice at completing a Pathways form, indicating your preferred subjects for S3
- ▶ Now that you have your S2 Reports you are required to complete this process to make your final choices for S3
- ▶ Hopefully you have taken some time to think about your career and have done some research around the qualifications you will need to facilitate this.
- ▶ So, before we outline what happens now, we will quickly recap how you will select your subjects across all the curricular areas.

# Broad General Education

► In S3 all pupils continue to follow a broad general education across 8 curricular areas.

► The curricular areas are:

► 1 Languages/Literacy

► 2 Maths/Numeracy

► 3 Social Studies

► 4 Science

► 5 Expressive Arts

► 6 Technologies

► 7 Health & Wellbeing

► 8 Religious & Moral Education

► You will narrow down from 17 classes in S2 to 11 in S3. The 11 classes are made up of 8 subjects plus core PE, PSE and RP.

# S3 Pathways Process

Everyone **MUST** continue to study subjects across the 8 curricular areas.

The following subjects do not appear on the pathways form as everyone continues with them in S3:

- ▶ English/Literacy
- ▶ Maths/Numeracy
- ▶ Health & Wellbeing (PE & PSE)
- ▶ Religious and Moral Education (RP)

This covers 4 of the 8 curricular areas.

# S3 Pathways Process

For the remaining 4 curricular areas of

- ☐ Social Studies
- ☐ Science
- ☐ Expressive Arts
- ☐ Technologies

you have a choice of which subject you would like to continue with. **You must choose 1 subject in each area.**

A		B		C		D	
GEOGRAPHY		BIOLOGY		ART & DESIGN		ADMIN & IT	
HISTORY		CHEMISTRY		DRAMA		BUSINESS EDUCATION	
MODERN STUDIES		HEALTH		MUSIC		COMPUTING STUDIES	
RMPS		PHYSICS		MUSIC TECHNOLOGY		GRAPHICS	
		PRACTICAL SCIENCE		PHYSICAL EDUCATION		HOME ECONOMICS	
						PRACTICAL WOODWORK	



# Personalisation

Once you have chosen 1 subject from each of Social Studies, Science, Expressive Arts and Technologies you now have 9 subjects.

- ▶ English / Literacy
- ▶ Maths/Numeracy
- ▶ One from Social subjects
- ▶ One from Science
- ▶ One from Expressive Arts
- ▶ One from Technologies
- ▶ Core PE, PSE and RP

These 9 subjects span across the 8 compulsory curricular areas.



# Personalisation

Finally, you have 2 more subjects to choose to allow you to continue with 11 subjects in S3.

You have a free choice for these two subjects.

From the table of subjects on the Pathways Form you must choose 3 subjects you would be happy to continue with. We will then do our very best to ensure that you are allocated 2 out of your 3 choices.

chosen in columns A-D. You will be allocated two subjects from your three choices.


Personalisation		
ADMIN & IT	FRENCH	PHYSICAL EDUCATION
ART & DESIGN	GEOGRAPHY	PHYSICS
BIOLOGY	GRAPHICS	PRACTICAL SCIENCE
BUSINESS EDUCATION	HEALTH	PRACTICAL WOODWORK
CHEMISTRY	HISTORY	RETAIL
COMPUTING SCIENCE	HOME ECONOMICS	RMPS
CREATIVE INDUSTRIES	MODERN STUDIES	SPANISH
DRAMA	MUSIC	TRAVEL & TOURISM
EARLY LEARNING & CHILDCARE	MUSIC TECHNOLOGY	

# And finally.....Senior Phase


When you go into the Senior Phase (S4 – S6) you study even fewer subjects.



In S4 you will only study 6 subjects you choose in S3 plus the core subjects of PE and Personal Development.



In S5 you will study 5 subjects from the 6 in S4 plus Personal Development and Leadership.



In S6 you will study a minimum of 4 Subjects, but most pupils will continue with 5.

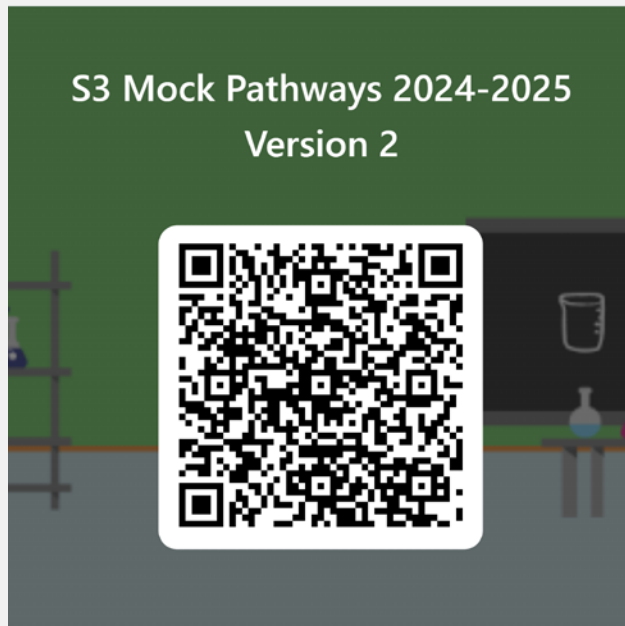
# What's next

- ▶ Take a Pathways Form.
- ▶ Look at your S2 Report to identify subjects you are successful in.
- ▶ Think about what you want to do when you leave school.
- ▶ Discuss your possible choices with your parents/carers. Remember there's a Parents Information Evening (in school) on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January at 6pm that both you and your Parents/Carers should attend.
- ▶ Think about the subjects you'd like to choose from columns A to D.
- ▶ Think about your 3 free choice subjects. You will only be allocated 2 of these so ensure you're happy with all 3 subjects (these are not prioritised – the aim is to give you any 2 from 3)
- ▶ From Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January you will be invited for a Pathways interview with Mr Bulloch, Ms Loudon, Mrs Marinello, or Mr Mackenzie, who will complete a pathways interview with you to confirm your choices are appropriate for you.

This presentation will be posted on the S2 Announcements Team for you to access at home.

# Before you go....

- ▶ Please complete this 2nd Mock Form. We are asking you to do this because we've made a change to the Expressive Arts column by adding Music Technology and PE.
- ▶ This will just give us an idea of numbers, but we won't hold you to this. Your real choices are those you make on the paper Pathways Form. You should bring this with you to the interview so once completed, keep it in your bag.



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