

S3 Pathways

Parents and Carers
Information Evening 2025

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



Broad General 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.**

Story so far....

You now have 9 subjects selected across the 8 compulsory areas of the curriculum:

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



Personalisation

This means you have 2 more subjects to choose.

You have a free choice for these two subjects.



NAME: _____

TUTOR: _____

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

NOTES

- 1 ALL pupils continue with English and Maths therefore they **do not appear** on the Learner Pathway Form.
- 2 Pupils must choose **ONE** option in every column A to D above (tick box beside choice)
- 3 **Choose 4 subjects from the Personalisation box below. These must be different from the subjects you have already chosen in columns A-D. You will be allocated two subjects from your choices.**

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

Personalisation 1: _____

Personalisation 2: _____

Personalisation 3: _____

Personalisation 4: _____

Please note that all classes are subject to pupil numbers and staff availability.

Career Aspiration _____

Parent/Carer's signature _____

When do you plan to leave school _____

SLT signature _____

Personalisation

From the second table on the Pathways Form you must choose 4 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 4 choices.

3 Choose 4 subjects from the Personalisation box below. These must be different from the subjects you have already

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


Personalisation		
ADMIN & IT	FASHION AND TEXTILES	MUSIC TECHNOLOGY
ART & DESIGN	FRENCH	PHYSICAL EDUCATION
BIOLOGY	GEOGRAPHY	PHYSICS
BUSINESS EDUCATION	GRAPHICS	PRACTICAL SCIENCE
CHEMISTRY	HEALTH	PRACTICAL WOODWORK
COMPUTING SCIENCE	HISTORY	RETAIL
CREATIVE INDUSTRIES	HOME ECONOMICS	RMPS
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Coming next year.....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.

S3 Pathways Important Guidance

You will be successful if you pick subjects:

- ▶ You enjoy
- ▶ You have made good progress in - Use your S2 Report issued this week.

Do not consider:

- ▶ What your pals are doing
- ▶ Teachers you like

S3 Pathways Important Guidance

If you are not sure about a subject then speak to your teacher.

This book is now on the website to help:



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S3 Pathways Important Guidance

Subjects you are picking now are the subjects you will have most success continuing on with in the Senior Phase.

Hopefully, you have taken some time to think about your future career and have done some research around the qualifications you will need to facilitate this.

<https://screenpal.com/watch/c0lj6vVmpBD>

What's next

- ▶ Pupils have already completed a mock pathway form in the hall with me.
- ▶ Pupils had Reports this week.
- ▶ Pathways form issued tonight or in PSE soon.

Homework for 17th March:

- ▶ 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.

What's next

- ▶ Think about the subjects you'd like to choose from columns A to D.
- ▶ Think about your 4 free choice subjects. You will be allocated 2 of these so ensure you're happy with all 4 subjects (these are not prioritised – the aim is to give you 2 from 4)
- ▶ From 17th March you will be invited for a Pathways interview with SLT who will complete a pathways interview with you to confirm your choices are appropriate for you.



Thank you

Please take a pathways form on the way out.