

# Gaelic Education

A summary of key resources



Education Scotland's website provides practitioners with resources, advice and guidance to help develop learning and teaching within

- Gaelic Learner Education
- Gaelic Medium Education
- Learning about Gaelic language and culture as part of Scotland's identity.

Visit the website: [Gaelic Education](#)

The following links may be particularly useful in planning for **Gaelic Learner and Medium Education**:

[Gaelic Learner Education](#)

[Gaelic Medium Education and Gàidhlig](#)

The following links may be particularly useful in planning for **Gaelic language and culture** as part of **Scotland's identity**:

[Curriculum for Excellence Briefing 9: Learning about Scotland](#)

[Studying Scotland](#)

[Scotland's History](#)

[Scotland's Songs](#)

[Scotland's Stories](#)

[Scots and Australia](#)

[Scots and Canada](#)

[Scottish Enlightenment](#)

## Advice and guidance for Gaelic Education

- [Advice on Gaelic Education](#)
- This advice provides important information on the national context, and describes best practice to support practitioners and local authorities in evaluating and planning for improvement in Gaelic Education.
- [Language learning in Scotland: A 1+2 approach - Further guidance on L3 within the 1+2 policy.](#)
- Education Scotland advice on the role of Gaelic Education 3-18 in 'Language Learning in Scotland: A 1 + 2 Approach'. [Role of Gaelic Education in a 1+2 Approach](#)
- Other 1+2 Advice includes: [Working with the recommendations](#), [Building your strategy](#), [Continuity Advice](#)
- Curriculum for Excellence briefing paper on **Learning about Scotland** which includes information on the role of Scotland's languages in Learning about Scotland.

## Support for the curriculum in Gaelic Medium Education: broad general education

- **Health and wellbeing; responsibility of all** [Making the links...making it work Gaelic version](#)
- [An Cogadh Mòr](#): These resources include looking at the causes of the war, stories from veterans and reflections on the impact of the conflict.
- [Gaelic Songs for the Early Years](#): A collection of songs for use with children and young people learning Gaelic and learning through Gaelic.
- [SSLN: Literacy](#) A professional learning resource to promote and inform professional reflection, dialogue and debate about writing and how to improve it.
- Learning and teaching ideas to develop children and young people's understanding of **Scotland's placenames covering** early-fourth level outcomes.
- [John Muir Education Pack](#) encourages structured learning in the outdoors.

## Support for the curriculum in Gaelic Medium Education: senior phase

- **Gàidhlig** National 3, 4, 5, Higher and Advanced Higher
- **GM mathematics** National 4, 5 and Higher
- **GM lifeskills mathematics** National 2, 3, 4, 5
- **GM geography** National 3, 4, 5 and Higher
- **GM history** National 3, 4, 5, Higher and Advanced Higher
- **GM modern studies** National 3, 4, 5 and Higher
- **GM Modern Studies Democracy** in Scotland National 5
- **GM Media** National 3, 4, 5 and Higher and glossary of terminology
- **GM Physical Education** National 2
- **GM Food, health and wellbeing** National 2
- **GM Business in Practice** National 2.
- [Education Scotland: Professional Focus Papers](#) for Gàidhlig as well as other subjects.

## Support for Gaelic Learner Education: senior phase and in a 1+2 Approach to Language Learning

The following resources are now available on [Glow](#) for **Gaelic (Learners)**:

- Gaelic (Learners) National 3, 4, 5, Higher and Advanced Higher.
- [Education Scotland: Professional Focus Papers](#) for Gaelic (Learners).
- [British Council Primary Language Starter Pack](#): Resources to support teaching of languages in primary schools.

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## Education Scotland websites available through the medium of Gaelic

<a href="#">Scotland's History</a>	Eachdraidh na h-Alba
<a href="#">Scotland's Songs</a>	Òrain na h-Alba
<a href="#">Scotland's Stories</a>	Sgeulachdan na h-Alba
<a href="#">Scots and Canada</a>	Na h-Albanaich agus Canada
<a href="#">Weather and Climate Change</a>	Side agus Atharrachadh

### Support for the curriculum: assessing progress and achievement

- [The world of assessment is changing](#) a short animation which explains assessment in the context of Curriculum for Excellence.
- [Education Scotland News](#) This issue of Education Scotland News has a particular focus on Making Good Assessment Decisions and contains some useful articles on assessing progress and achievement, the Scottish Survey of Literacy and Numeracy, and practical steps to support great learning.
- **Making Good Assessment Decisions 3-18 – Gaelic Version** [Wall Poster](#) [Desk Poster](#)
- **National Parent Forum of Scotland (NPF5)** summaries of qualifications for Gaelic (Learners) and Gàidhlig: [Nationals in a nutshell](#)
- **Assessing progress and achievement professional learning resources:** [Literacy and Gàidhlig](#) and [Gaelic \(Learners\)](#) early to fourth curricular levels.
- [Quality Assurance and Moderation - Professional Learning Resource](#)
- [Route Maps through Assessment](#) for National 4, 5 and Higher.

### Support for digital learning

- **Skype in the Classroom** <https://education.skype.com/> is a free global community of teachers who are working together to create inspiring Skype lessons. The website provides teachers with a directory of examples on how they can use Skype to access and share activities, resources and lesson plans and connect to other educators and organisations.

### [Building Society, Young People's Experiences and Outcomes in the Technologies](#)

[Making use of Glow:](#) A guide to help schools make the most of Glow.

### Support for high-quality professional learning and leadership

- **2 Glow TV: [Developing the Vision for Gaelic Medium](#)** <http://ow.ly/KW3XO> This provides valuable advice to officers in local authorities and teachers in planning provision for Gaelic Education. To view this, please visit Glow:
- **Professional Learning: [Leadership of Curriculum for Excellence Secondary Events 2015](#)** Support for secondary schools and local authorities with the implementation of Curriculum for Excellence.
- **Early learning and childcare [Professional development resources](#)** Video and discussion materials for early learning and childcare staff that focus on children's experiences, the role of adults and the environment.
- **[A model of career-long professional learning](#)**
- This research-based model maps out four connected elements of learning experience. It can be used to plan professional learning individually or collaboratively.
- [Mentoring Matters](#) is an online tool to support and develop mentoring skills for teachers at every stage of their career.
- Seminars broadcast live from SLF are all recorded and available on Glow TV to Watch Again.
- [Professional Review and Development](#) This guidance is structured around key features of effective PRD processes.
- [Teach in Scotland](#), a website for those considering a career in teaching.

## Support for self-evaluation and self-improvement

- [Inspection Advice Note 2015-16](#)
- Advice note to support colleagues involved in school and early learning and childcare (ELCC) settings inspections from August 2015. This sets out adjustment in expectations for QI 5.1 (The Curriculum) and QI 5.9 (Improvement through self-evaluation).
- [Evaluating and Improving the Curriculum- Primary](#)
- This 'toolkit' supports the evaluation and improvement of the primary curriculum.
- [Building the Ambition](#)
- This acts as national practice guidance to support staff in providing high quality early learning and childcare. It provides support for putting theory into practice by offering case studies and reflective questions to provoke discussion and to help support improvement.
- [Evaluating and Improving the Curriculum- Secondary BGE](#)
- This resource provides a clear and concise 'toolkit' to help secondary schools evaluate their curriculum across the Broad General Education from S1-S3.
- [Skills in Practice](#)
- This resource has been designed to help review and adapt current approaches to developing skills for learning, life and work in the context of Curriculum for Excellence. A key aspect of the resource is to help facilitate reflection on planning for skills development, while considering what progression, learning and teaching and assessment could look like in your setting.
- [How good is our third sector organisation?](#)
- This [self-evaluation resource](#) has been created to support third sector organisations to evaluate their performance and identify priorities for action. It may be useful in supporting curriculum partnerships for Gaelic Education.
- [SSLN Numeracy and number processes professional learning resource](#)
- This resource has been created to deepen practitioners' knowledge and understanding of progression within the experiences and outcomes for numeracy and mathematics. Arranged in a series of organisers, it aims to support planning by identifying key milestones that learners should know before moving on to the next stage of learning.
- [3-18 Literacy and English Review](#)
- This report evaluates current practice in learning, teaching and achievement in literacy and English in early learning and childcare settings and schools in Scotland. It highlights good practice and important areas for further development. The report identifies an agenda for raising attainment, in support of the Scottish Government's current priorities. It is intended to be used as a reflective tool to help staff identify their own next steps in raising standards of literacy, reducing inequity and closing the attainment gap.
- [Primary and early years sciences](#)
- A range of science resources and watch anytime Glow Meets covering a range of topics, including assessment in primary science and topical science.
- [Food and Health](#)
- Food and Health provides support for food education including resources, learning journeys and a list of organisations who can support food education projects.
- [RME through Outdoor Learning](#)
- This short paper explores how Outdoor Learning can be used to engage children in RME. It contains links to examples, advice and support.
- [Opening Up Great Learning: Learning for Sustainability \(LfS\)](#)
- This paper examines what LfS looks like and provides a range of professional learning activities to support dialogue and the development of LfS across the school.

## Other useful Education Scotland websites

<p>Education Scotland's <a href="#">inspection and review</a> website contains advice on evaluating the quality of learning and teaching in Scottish schools and education services.</p>	
<p>Education Scotland's <a href="#">Journey to Excellence</a> website contains many examples of interesting and innovative practice.</p> <p><a href="#">Journey to Excellence</a></p>	
<p>Education Scotland's <a href="#">National Qualifications</a> website contains advice, guidance and details of support materials for National Qualifications and support materials for the current NQ courses.</p> <p><a href="#">National Qualifications</a></p>	
<p><a href="#">Glow</a> is a digital environment for learning that is available across Scotland. It presents schools with a purpose built digital learning solution which supports the delivery of Curriculum for Excellence.</p> <p><a href="#">Glow Sign in</a></p>	
<p><a href="#">Parentzone Scotland</a> aims to enable you to access high quality information related to your child's education.</p>	
<p><a href="#">Early Years</a> support to all involved in the care and education of children from pre-birth to 8 years</p>	<p>Early learning and childcare</p> 
<p><a href="#">NAR</a> Supporting assessment approaches for Curriculum for Excellence</p>	<p>NAR Supporting Assessment in Practice</p> 

## Showcase for Excellence

See examples of excellence in colleges.

## Sharing practice for colleges - Showcase for Excellence

See our Showcase for Excellence for examples of excellence that have been obtained from evaluative work by HM Inspectors. The examples of good



### Related resources

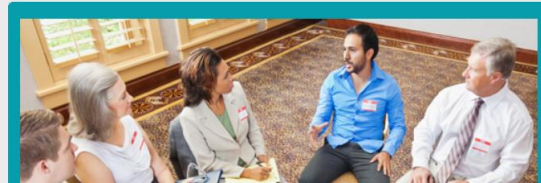
College reviews  
Help for educators, parents

## Career opportunities related to Gaelic



## A guide to community learning and development

## Community learning and development



### **PLEASE NOTE:**

This information service aims to provide a summary of resources relating to Gaelic Education. It does not claim to be comprehensive and you should also keep up-to-date with our website. We welcome information from stakeholders to add to this guide to resources.

For more information on Education Scotland Foghlam Alba, please visit [Gaelic Education](#) and/or contact [Inverness@educationscotland.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:Inverness@educationscotland.gsi.gov.uk)

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## Briefing on Gaelic Education

