



Kilmarnock Academy
SCQF Level 6 Information Evening
Online Resources



General advice

Study timer / technique: <https://pomofocus.io/>

Ask your teachers for help! Install “Outlook” email app on your phone, so you can easily send a photo of what you’ve managed so far (and the question) to your teacher – this is particularly useful in subjects like maths, physics where written working is required. Choose “outlook” as account type if you have to, sign in with your usual Glow email address *eap.____@glow.sch.uk* and password. See Mr Craig for individual help.

How parents / carers can help their child with Level 6 / Higher subjects

By this level, we fully understand that parents are not necessarily able to directly help their child with specific subject work, unless they have particular expertise in that field. However, a few things you can do to support your child include:

- Encourage them to use their notes from class when doing homework / study: this could include notes jotters, handouts, a Class OneNote or other resources on Teams, a textbook, booklets, websites they’ve been directed to, etc.
- Work on their homework with them – particularly questions which they find more difficult even if you, the parent, don’t know the answers – in fact, it’s even better if you don’t know, because you can model to your child what to do when they don’t know. Encourage them never to leave any questions blank – instead, use notes, ask their teachers, even ask their friends in the class as long as they are not simply copying!
- Provide suitable space and time for studying – this can look different for different people and will depend on circumstances – it needn’t always be a desk and a silent room – a number of pupils say they feel more comfortable and study better lying across their bed with their notes all set out and their cat purring away beside them – if that’s what works for them, that’s grand!
- Encourage responsible use of mobile phones / other distractions – a few incoming Snapchats, BeReal going off, a hilarious cat video on the group chat and a 25-minute study session can quickly become more like 15 minutes. Multiply this across the week, month, year and that’s a lot of lost study time.

Online Resources for SCQF Level 6 (Higher) subjects

Resources covering multiple subjects

<https://scholar.hw.ac.uk/>

<https://www.e-sgoil.com/senior-phase/>

BBC Bitesize – Higher pages: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/zkdqxnbn>

School website: <https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/ea/wmckilmarnockacademy/> - See the “Departments” pages for further online resources

www.quizlet.com – virtual flashcards – make your own set or search the thousands of freely available pre-made sets.

SQA Website for Past Papers – note some subjects may have websites which have easier access to past papers / past paper questions organised by topic. Also note that, whilst an excellent source of study material, Past Papers are not the be all and end all – follow your teacher’s advice for individual subjects and make use of all materials to ensure you fully understand the whole course!

See attached information from the Library re accessing:

- VLeBooks – access for all pupils to the library’s eBooks (the collection is small just now but more titles are being added on an ongoing basis)
- Complete Issues – useful for research for many subjects
Username: kilmac
Password: library

Barista / Milkbar

<https://www.youtube.com/@Paddy-And-Scotts>

Business

<https://www.youtube.com/@TwoTeachers>

www.twoteachers.co.uk

Higher: Whole Higher course at Collins Connect

Username: KilmarnockStudent

Password: P'55word

Chemistry

<https://www.youtube.com/@MissAdamsChemistry>

Maths

<https://www.youtube.com/@DLBmaths>

“Free Higher Maths”: <https://www.highermathematics.co.uk/higher-maths-whole-course/>

<https://www.maths180.com/>

Scientific calculator app: RealCalc or nCalcFx (however, it should be emphasised that it is important that pupils come to lessons with their own standalone calculator, preferably Casio brand, so that they are familiar with its use in advance of the exam. If there are any issues with this, please contact the maths department so that we can do our best to support your child.

Performing arts (Music, Drama and Music Technology):

See attached information for each of these subjects.

Physical Education

<https://glowscotland.sharepoint.com/sites/EastAyrshire/eastayrshirekilmarnockacademynewmain2017/kilmanockacademynewpupilsmain2017/eakilmarnockpepupilmain2018/eakilpe-nationalqualsitemain2018/SitePages/S5-Higher-PE.aspx>

Technical (all technical subjects)

<https://www.designclass.co.uk/> - assignment practise, question paper practice, example materials, full video demonstrations of practical tasks.