

# St Ninian's High School



S4 Information Evening  
Making the Right Choice  
Pastoral Provision

# Preparing for Choice – School's Programme

- Aug-Jan – Information given in PSHE classes
- Feb – Assembly (Pathways booklet issued with Parental Letter)
- Feb – Interviews with Pastoral Teacher begin, Option Forms completed and sent home to be signed
- March – Option Forms to have been confirmed
- June – Pupils Begin New Timetable
- August – Renegotiation Day

# Preparing for Choice – Pupil Responsibility

- Research your pathways - My World of work and Plan It Plus <http://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/>
- Discussions with Pastoral Teacher, Subject Teachers, Year Head
- Leaflets from departments
- Pathways booklet
- School Career Convention – February (online)
- Appointment with the School Career Advisor (arranged through your Pastoral Teacher)

# Preparing for Choice – Pupil Responsibility

- Individual interviews with Pastoral Teacher
- Choose your 5 best subjects – be realistic
- Complete a form with your Pastoral Teacher and take a copy home to be signed by your Parents.
- Returned to your Pastoral teacher before the end of March

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Register Group \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Tick this box if you intend to leave school before the next school year.

If you intend to apply for a place in Further/Higher Education **during your fifth year**, please tick one of these boxes.

☐ University ☐ College ☐ Other e.g. Art School

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**Choosing your 5th year courses**

This is a list of the subjects and levels which you are taking this year. In your fifth year it is recommended that you continue with your 5 best subjects. It is expected that one of these will be English. Choose your subjects and indicate by ticking the appropriate box, the level at which you expect to study your subjects. Remember to check the minimum entry requirements for each subject level.

Subject	Level		
	H	N 5	N 4
English: National 5	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Maths: National 5	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
French: National 5	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
History: National 5	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Biology: National 5	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Graphic Communication: National 5	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hospitality: National 5	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Art and Design: National 5	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Physical Education: National 4	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

I undertake to attend all the subjects chosen. In addition I also undertake to continue to study Religious Education, Physical Education and PSHE. I will also abide by the School Code of Conduct and follow the school's dress code.

Student's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Interviewing Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# Preparing for Choice – Parental Responsibility

- Have a realistic view of 'Choice and Options'
- Be aware of the various routes to Further and Higher Education
- Attend the School Career Convention (online)
- Research pathways with your child – My World of Work, Plan It Plus
- School Website - <https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/er/StNinians/>
- Contact Pastoral Support Teachers

# Pathways

University	College	Apprenticeship/ Employment
Successful S5/6	College application programme	Vocational Programme
Highers/Adv Highers	PSHE classes	Foundation apprenticeships
UCAS programme	Careers Website	PSHE classes
University Open Days	Careers Notice Board	Careers Website
	College Open Days	Careers Notice Board

# Foundation Apprenticeships

- Foundation Apprenticeships are a work-based learning opportunity for secondary school pupils in S4 and S5. Young people spend time out of school at college or with a local employer, and complete the Foundation Apprenticeship alongside their other subjects like National 5s and Highers.
- The qualification takes two years to complete and is linked to one of six key sectors of the Scottish economy, so young people are getting industry experience which will help them kick-start a successful career in their chosen field.

# Useful website

- <https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/er/StNinians/>
- <http://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/>
- <http://www.planitplus.net>
- <http://www.scotland.org/study-in-scotland/finding-a-course>
- <http://www.scotlandinter.net/colleges.html>