

Taylor High School

S3 Pathways

2021 - 2022



Welcome & Introduction

Mr Mc Watt



Programme for this Evening.....

Welcome and overview of pathways – PMcWatt

S4 Choices Presentation – Miss Rooney

Preparing For Options – Miss Kane

Career Support – P McBride

Next Steps

32 Period Week Considerations



School Prayer

God Our Father

Guide us through each day

Give us the strength to do Your will

Help us to work together

To serve our school, our home and our parish

Give us the Gift of Faith to live our school motto

‘Que tout soit pour Dieu’

We ask this through Christ Our Lord

Amen



Curriculum for Excellence

Curriculum is defined as the totality of all that is planned for children and young people from early learning and childcare, through school and beyond.



Our Commitment to all Learners

Increase young learner's levels of attainment & wider achievement

Improve the quality and consistency of learning and teaching

Support all learners to have the opportunity to succeed



The Senior Phase.....

Is the period from S4 to S6 where students build up a portfolio of qualifications which meet their needs

Prepares students for achieving qualifications at the highest level possible through specialisation, depth & rigour



**Continue to develop skills for learning,
skills for life and skills for work**

**Support our young people in achieving a
positive and sustained destination.**

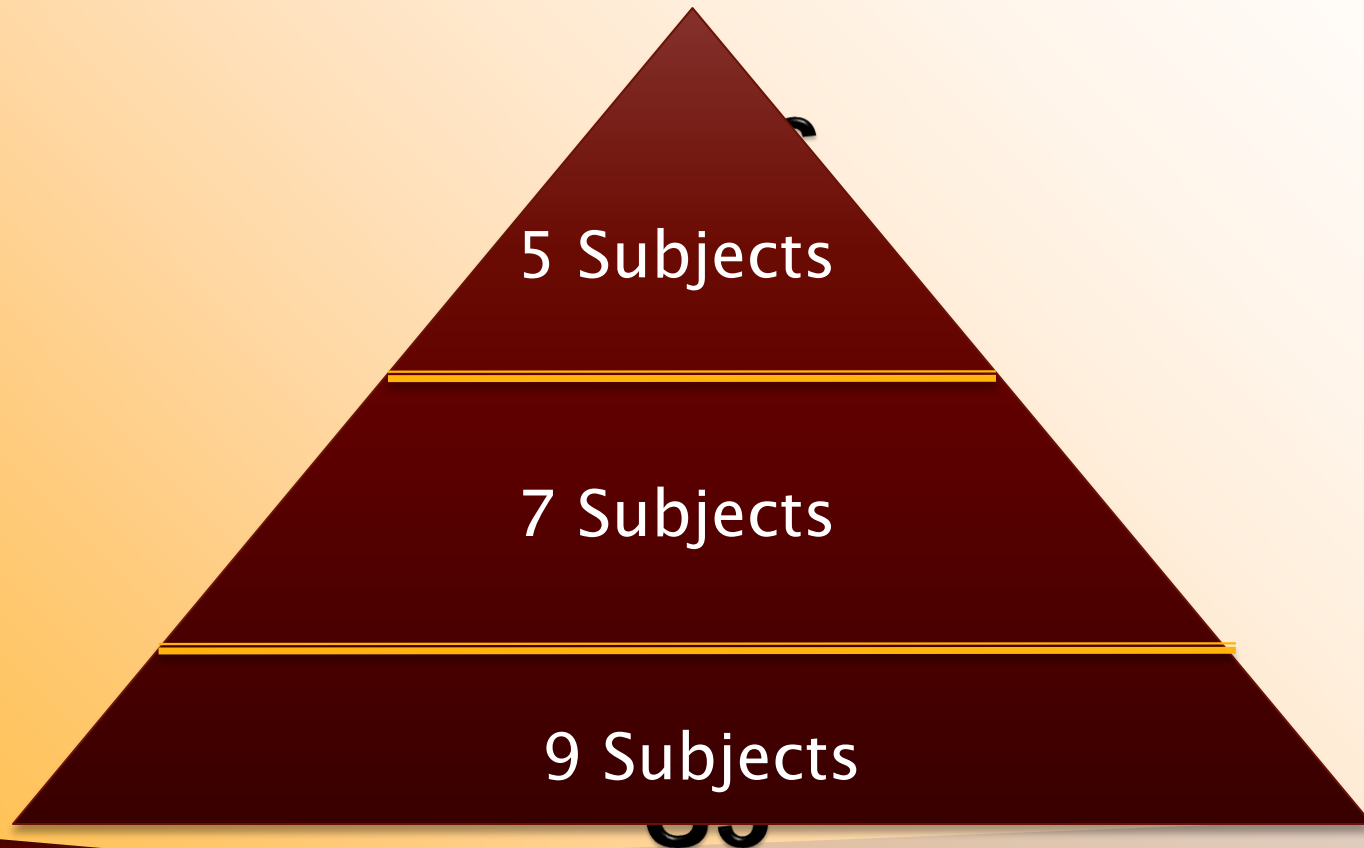


The senior phase:

Provides opportunities for personal achievement, service to others and practical experience of the world of work



Whole School Curriculum Structure



Purpose of S3 Options

Maximise Outcomes for all young learners

Define pathways which match the young person's aspirations

Ensuring young people challenge themselves to be the best they can be at all times



The Pathways Programme

- ▶ **Process which supports learners every February / March to make appropriate subject options**
- ▶ **The choice process allows young learners to specialise in areas of the curriculum in which they have an interest or require for their intended career**
- ▶ Pathways [Blog](#)

S4 SQA Qualifications

National 3

National 4

National 5



Qualifications....

National 3 and National 4 are unit-based qualifications with no external exam.

They are assessed within the school and will be externally verified by SQA staff.

National 3 and 4 qualifications are marked Pass or Fail.



Qualifications....

National 5 is assessed externally which may be carried out by more than one method, for example a project and a question paper which will be assessed by SQA.

National 5 qualifications are graded A – D



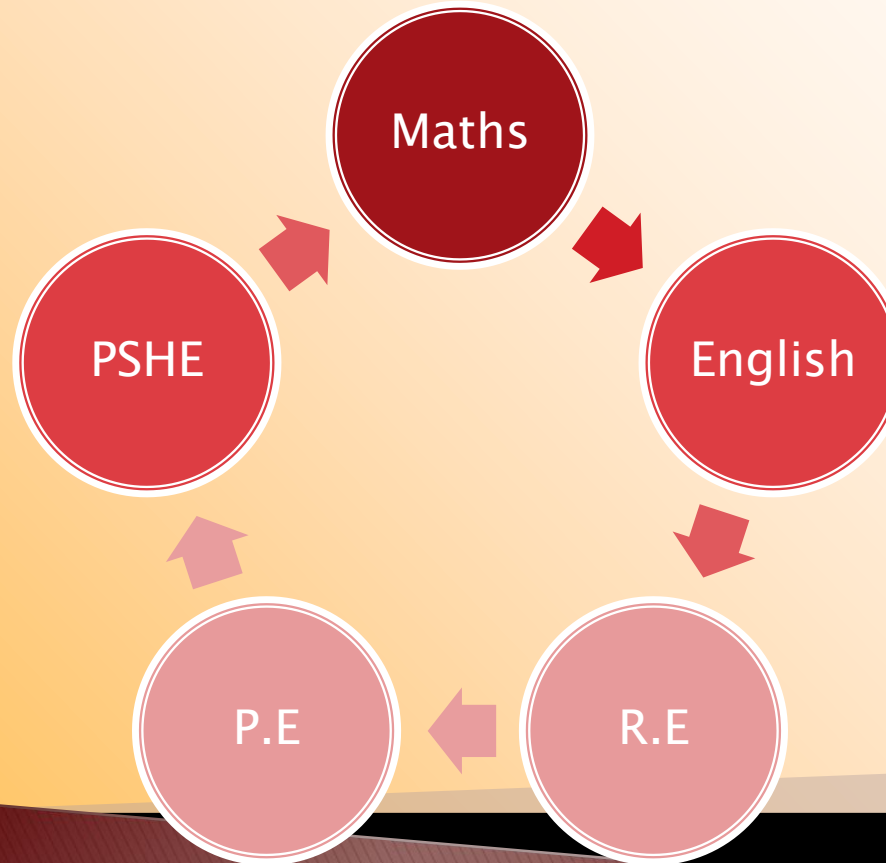
S4 Curriculum

Reduction of the curriculum to reflect key strengths and career interests

7 subjects will be taught for 4 periods per week in addition to 2 periods each of PE and RE and 1 period of HWB



S4 Compulsory Subjects



All learners must choose 5 other subjects from the subjects studied in Third Year.



Curriculum Choices

It is our intention to offer as many of the courses as possible but our ability to do so will be dependent on pupil uptake, staff availability and maximum class size



My World of Work

Explore career options with our Skills Explorer tool

Skills are things you learn through work, study or play.

Designing, building relationships, listening, motivating others and developing a plan are all examples of skills you might have.

Using our Skills Explorer tool will give you an understanding of what yours are.

This will help you decide which job you want and what to include in job applications to showcase the skills you have to offer.

You can also try our About Me and Strengths tools. The more tools you complete, the better career suggestions we can give.



[Use the Skills Explorer tool](#)



3 key aspects of WOW

- ▶ About me
- ▶ Skills
- ▶ Strengths

Options Preparation Work – Poll example



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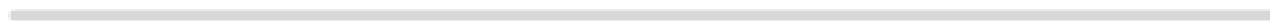
I have managed well and I am confident about my options 45% (5)



I have managed well but I am still not too confident about my options 54% (6)



I have not managed well and I am not confident about my options 0% (0)



11 responses



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Next Steps

Complete WOW work on Teams

Pupil Options Assembly

Consult Pathways [Blog](#)

Learner Advice / Support from PTPS / Careers Advisor / PTLS

Complete Pathways Survey / Options Forms on Class Teams

Quality Assurance Process



32 Period Week Enrichment Afternoon

Links with Community Based Partners

Range of Opportunities Provided / Greater Choice for Learners

DYW Skills for Life & Work

Outdoor Learning

Music / Sport

Duke of Edinburgh

