



Topic overviews are provided to aid parental involvement.

S3 courses are designed for CfE Broad General Education experiences and outcomes **up to Level 4**. Aim: prepare pupils with knowledge and skills required by National courses. Below is a complete overview and so some **will not** apply to your child.

Area	Subject	Topic(s)
Languages	English	DA: Where I am From – Individual Talk; Drama Study: 'Tally's Blood' by Ann Marie Di Mambro CM: We will be exploring and analysing poetry from other cultures.
	French	Using language (Speaking and Writing) and Understanding language (Reading and Listening) will be based around holidays with a link to local and international events. The grammar focus will be on using a variety of tenses.
Numeracy	Maths	Removing double brackets, solving equations and inequalities with fractions and brackets. Similar shapes – identification and calculations. The circle – tangents, the angle in a semi-circle and isosceles triangles.
HWB	PE	Pupils will be learning about the different elements of gymnastics (balancing, flight, rotation and inversion). They will be learning how to create a gymnastics routine and will learn how to observe and assess performances from their peers.
	Life Skills	Pupils will be learning about social media and the impact this can have on relationships.
	RME	Young Philanthropy Initiative (YPI) Project begins with developing awareness of social issues and local charities.
	Home Economics	This term S3 will be learning about Elementary Food Hygiene, including practical activities to demonstrate hygienic practices, cookery processes and food preparation techniques.
Sciences	Biology	Investigation cells and how they function to produce various proteins encoded by DNA. Identifying how genetic engineering is conducted and how this is utilised within industry production rates.
	Chemistry	Exploring the atomic structures and bonding methods between varying groups within the periodic table. Identifying the chemical formula produced from chemical reactions.
	Physics	Electricity – circuit symbols and current, voltage and resistance in series and parallel circuits. Dynamics – speed, distance, time, acceleration and their measurement and v-t graphs.
Social Studies	Business Management	Introduction to business – investigate the role of Entrepreneur, factors of production and the sectors of industry. Find out about the types of business organisations and their objectives.
	Geography	Physical Environments: Map skills & Rivers and their valleys – the processes involved in creating river features in the UK.
	History	Era of the Great War: Introduction to WWI and how Scots were involved with the Western Front.
Expressive Arts	Art	Pupils will look at illuminated lettering designs and create an illustration of their own initial. We will also develop our skills in different printing techniques.
	Music	Listening/theory – Chords and chord sequences. Performance – Individual pieces on two instruments. Composition – Exploring techniques and using these in the notation program Noteflight.
Technologies	Admin & IT	The Skills and qualities required for an administrative role. Health and Safety in the workplace. Word processing practice and touch typing.
	Computer Science	Computer Systems – How data is stored in a computer system; Von Neumann Computer Architecture. Explore environmental and security Issues.
	Graph Comm	CAD drawing with basic shapes. Building drawing and plan symbols with a promotional graphic looking at design principles.
	Technical	Making a coat rack and shelf. Learning to use the lathe.

