

Stromness Academy



Parent Information Events

Curriculum Design

15 February 2017

Curriculum for Excellence

- To equip all young people for 21st century
- Develop skills for learning, life & work
- Increase attainment & achievement
- Appropriate preparation for Senior Phase.
- Enabling more appropriate options for transition to Senior Phase after end of S3

Curriculum for Excellence

2 distinct phases

- Broad General Education – primary school and continued S1 to S3.
- Senior Phase S4 to S6

S3

- Completes the BGE – with appropriate pace and challenge
- Stretch learning to challenge whether Level 3 or Level 4
- Blended learning & links to National Qualification

S3

- Profiles – recording achievements; progress; successes
- Choices – through liaison between parent/carer; pupil; guidance; teachers

Senior Phase

- S4 – 6 subjects including English and Maths plus 4 others at N3, N4, N5, H.
- S5 – up to 6 subjects at N3, N4, N5, H, AH.
- S6 – up to 6 subjects at N3, N4, N5, H, AH.

Curriculum Areas

Languages and Literacy	English French or German
Mathematics and Numeracy	Mathematics
Health and Well Being	Physical Education Personal and Social Education
Expressive Arts	Art & Design Music
Sciences	Biology Chemistry Physics
Social Studies	Business Studies Geography History
Technologies	Administration & IT Computing Science Food & Textiles Wood & Metal Graphics & Engineering
Religious, Moral and Philosophical Studies	RMPS

S3 Curriculum Design

All Pupils will continue to study :

English

Modern Language studied in S2

Mathematics

Physical Education (Core)

Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies

Personal and Social Education

S3 Curriculum Design

Curricular Areas: Personalisation

Expressive Arts

Sciences

Social Studies

Technologies

Free Options: 4 from the following areas

Expressive Arts

Health & Wellbeing

Language

Sciences

Social Studies

Technologies

Pupils will also indicate a reserve choice

Working in Partnership

- Curriculum design for your son/daughter
- Possible career pathways
- Web sites for current information
- Meet with PT Guidance to discuss options

The Subject Choice Process

A Collaborative Approach :

- Pupils
- Parents / Carers
- Guidance
- SDS

Subject Choice Form (S2 into S3)

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S2 to S3 Option Choice Form



In S3 you will study eleven subjects as a curriculum for excellence allows for some specialisation within curriculum areas. When completing this form you need to make sure that you have **at least one subject** from each curriculum area. In the Languages areas you must tick the language you are currently studying; it is possible to study a second language by selecting the other language in the options section. You must not tick the same subject twice.

Tick 1 Subject in each section

Literacy	
English	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Numeracy	
Mathematics	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Languages	
French	<input type="checkbox"/>
German	<input type="checkbox"/>
Social Subjects	
Business	<input type="checkbox"/>
Geography	<input type="checkbox"/>
History	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sciences	
Biology	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chemistry	<input type="checkbox"/>
Physics	<input type="checkbox"/>
Expressive Arts	
Art & Design	<input type="checkbox"/>
Music	<input type="checkbox"/>
Technologies	
Admin & IT	<input type="checkbox"/>
Computing Science	<input type="checkbox"/>
Design and Technology	<input type="checkbox"/>
Food and Textile Technology	<input type="checkbox"/>
Practical Craft Skills	<input type="checkbox"/>

Tick 4 of these subjects

Admin & IT	<input type="checkbox"/>
Art & Design	<input type="checkbox"/>
Biology	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chemistry	<input type="checkbox"/>
Computing Science	<input type="checkbox"/>
Design and Technology	<input type="checkbox"/>
French as 2 nd Language	<input type="checkbox"/>
Geography	<input type="checkbox"/>
German as 2 nd Language	<input type="checkbox"/>
History	<input type="checkbox"/>
Food And Textile Technology	<input type="checkbox"/>
Music	<input type="checkbox"/>
Physical Education	<input type="checkbox"/>
Physics	<input type="checkbox"/>
Practical Craft Skills	<input type="checkbox"/>

Reserve Subject	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Core Subjects	
PE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
PSE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
RME	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Pupil Signature
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Parent Signature
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Guidance Signature
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**Return to school by Friday 10th
March 2017**

Subject Choice Form (Senior Phase)

Stromness Academy Senior Phase Option Choice Sheet 2017

Qualification	Pts	A	B	C	D	E	F
National 4	5	Chemistry Fashion and Textiles Geography Graphic Comm Physical Education	Administration Art and Design Engineering Science Geography Physical Education	Biology *English* Practical Metalwork	Administration Hospitality *Maths*	Biology Computing Science German Health & Food Tec History Music Technology	Biology Business Chemistry French Music Physics Practical Woodwork
National 5	5	Chemistry Fashion and Textiles Geography Graphic Comm Maths Physical Education	Administration Art and Design Engineering Science Geography Lifeskills Maths Physical Education	Biology *English* Practical Metalwork	Administration English Hospitality *Maths*	Biology College SfW Computing Science German Health & Food Tec History Music Technology	Biology Business Mgt Chemistry French Music Physics Practical Woodwork
Higher	6	Administration Biology Chemistry Graphic Comm Maths Physics	Accounts Art and Design Computing Science English German	Business Mgt German History Maths	Chemistry English Geography Music Technology	College Health & Food Tec Geography Physical Education	Biology French Music Photography
School based courses	4	In Class Support	In Class Support	In Class Support Wider Achievement	In Class Support Wider Achievement	Work Experience	In Class Support
Advanced Higher	7	Art and Design, Biology, Chemistry, English, Geography, History, Maths, Music, Physical Education, Physics					

*Pupils in S4 must take English in C and Maths in D

To ensure a rich and varied curriculum most pupils in **S4** should have points totalling 30; pupils in **S5** should have points totalling at least 26 and pupils in **S6** should have points totalling at least 22.

Completion Dates S3 → S4 Friday 17th March 2017, S4 → S5 and S5 → S6 Wednesday 22nd March 2017

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Stromness Academy Senior Phase Option Choice Sheet 2017

Name

Class

I am not planning to return to school because

I am planning to be at Stromness Academy next year because

Column	Subject	Level	Points	PT signature
A				
B				
C				
D				
E				
F				

Total number of points

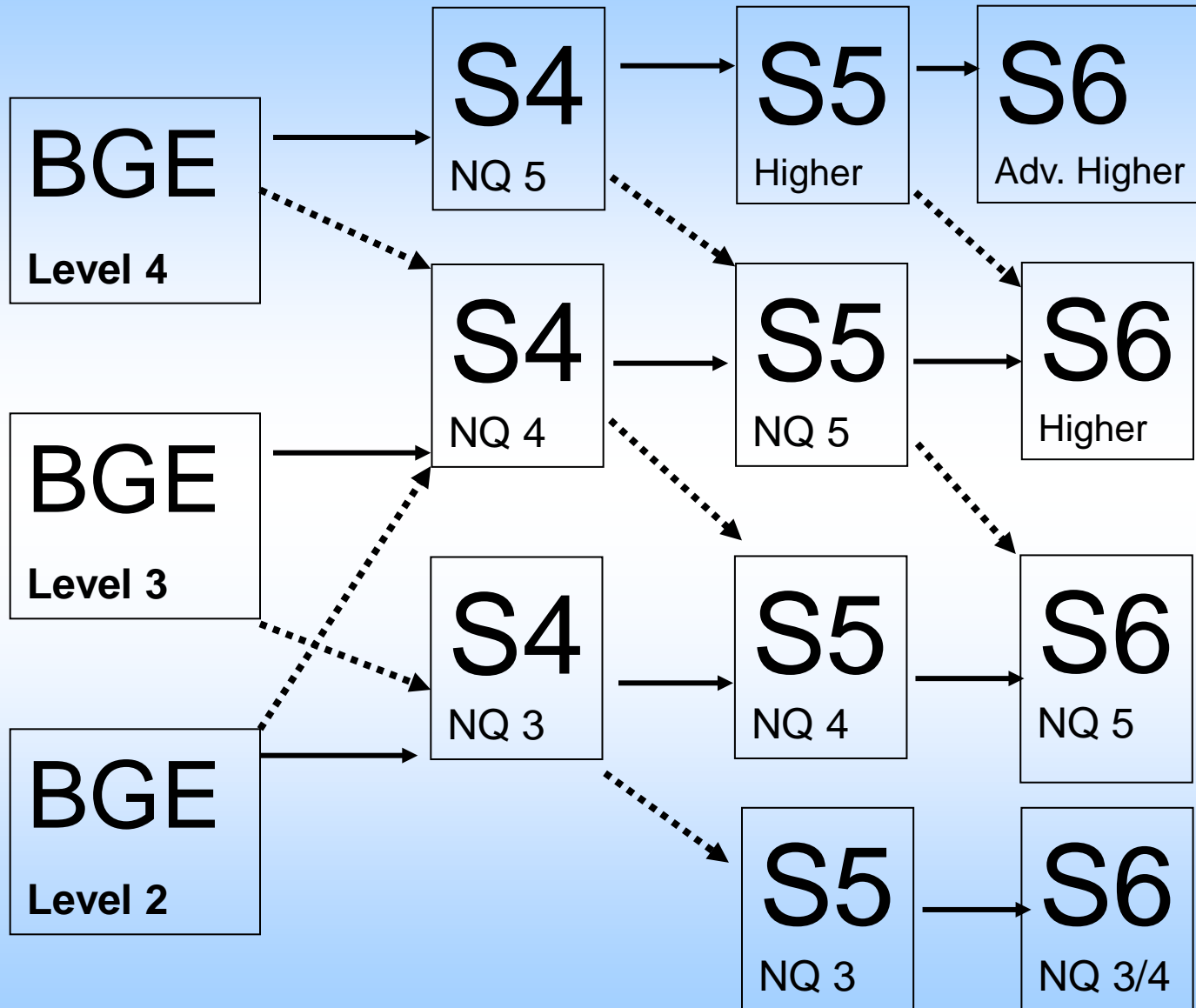
Pupil signature Parent signature

Guidance signature

Timescales

- Option forms issued 21 February
- Option form returns for S2 into S3 - 10 March
- Option form returns for S3 into S4 - 17 March
- Option form returns for S4/5 into S5/6 - 22 March

PROGRESSION ROUTES



New Qualifications

- Nationals, Highers and Advanced Highers
- Introduced between 2013 – 2016
- Replace Access, Standard Grade, Intermediate, Higher and Advanced Higher



New Qualifications

Aims:

- Learner at heart of assessment
- Help young people to demonstrate their acquired knowledge and skills
- Prepare for future learning, training and employment
- Simplified format

Qualification Framework

New National Qualifications starting session 2013-14	Previous Qualifications
National 3 =	Standard Grade Foundation or Access 3
National 4 =	Standard Grade General or Intermediate 1
National 5 =	Standard Grade Credit or Intermediate 2
Higher =	Higher
Advanced Higher =	Advanced Higher

www.sqa.org.uk/scqf

New Qualifications

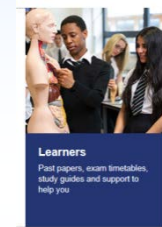
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Sections on website called:

Parents



Learners



Nationals in a Nutshell

www.npfs.org.uk



Questions