



Banff Academy



Subject Choices for S3



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|---------|------|-------------|------------------|--------|
| English | PSE | Core | Maths | French |
| PE | RMPS | | Digital Literacy | |

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| Technical: Woodwork | Administration & Information Technology | Biology | Technical: Design & Manufacture |
| Modern Studies | | Art & Design | Chemistry |
| | History | Physics | German |
| Physical Education (Creative) | | Options | Music |
| | Hospitality (Cookery) | | Computing Science |
| Physical Education (SQA) | Spanish | Business | Scottish Studies |
| Geography | | Health & Food Technology | Drama |
| | | | Technical: Graphics Communication |

S3 in Banff Academy

Your secondary school education comprises two main stages. During S1-S3 you are experiencing learning in each of the eight curriculum areas (Expressive Arts, Health and Wellbeing, Languages, Mathematics, Religious and Moral Education, Sciences, Social Studies, and Technologies). This stage is referred to as a “broad general education”. During S4-S6 you will specialise in the curriculum areas that you prefer and you will gain SQA qualifications. That stage is referred to as the “senior phase”.

The outcome of your education will be to develop you as a successful learner, a confident individual, an effective contributor, and a responsible citizen. Throughout your education you are developing the skills and knowledge necessary for learning, life and work.

S3 is therefore the final year of your broad general education and is also a year for you to prepare to enter the senior phase of your education in S4.

During S3, 50% of your timetable you will study the same courses as everyone else, and for the remaining time you will be studying courses that you have chosen, in preparation for your senior phase. The table below shows which courses are studied by all and which courses are optional (you are being asked to choose 8 from the 22 optional courses).

| CURRICULUM AREA | COURSES STUDIED BY ALL (number of periods per week shown in brackets) | OPTIONAL COURSES (2 periods per week for each course) Pupils choose eight options for S3 including at least one from the curriculum areas identified by * |
|--|---|---|
| Expressive Arts* | | Art & Design Drama Music Physical Education (Creative) |
| Health & Wellbeing* | PE (2) PSE (1) | Health & Food Technology Hospitality (Cookery) Physical Education (Creative) Physical Education (SQA) |
| Languages | English (4) French (2) | German Spanish |
| Mathematics | Mathematics (5) | |
| Religious & Moral Education | RME (1) | |
| Sciences* | | Biology Chemistry Physics |
| Social Studies* | | Business Geography History Modern Studies Scottish Studies |
| Technologies* | Digital Literacy (1) | Administration & IT Computing Science Technical: Design & Manufacture Technical: Graphic Communication Technical: Woodwork |

To help make your choices you will be provided with subject and careers advice/information from your S2 class teachers and from your Guidance Teacher. Course descriptors can be found on the school website. www.banffacademy.aberdeenshire.sch.uk – Pupils – Course Information. If you require any paper copies of this information, please use the request form provided.



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S3 Choice Preference



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In S3 all pupils will study Digital Literacy, English, French, Maths, PE, PSE, and RME.

| Curriculum Area | Subject |
|--------------------|--|
| Expressive Arts | Art & Design Drama Music Physical Education (Creative) |
| Health & Wellbeing | Health & Food Technology Hospitality (Cookery) Physical Education (Creative) Physical Education (SQA) |
| Languages | German Spanish |
| Sciences | Biology Chemistry Physics |
| Social Studies | Business Geography History Modern Studies Scottish Studies |
| Technologies | Administration & IT Computing Science Technical: Design & Manufacture Technical: Graphic Communication Technical: Woodwork |

Pupils must make one subject choice from each of the following curriculum areas, then 3 additional choices from any of the subjects listed above. Two reserve choices must be provided, these will only be used if we cannot provide you with your selected options.

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| Expressive Arts | A | |
| Health & Wellbeing | B | |
| Sciences | C | |
| Social Studies | D | |
| Technologies | E | |
| Additional choices: | 1 | |
| | 2 | |
| | 3 | |
| Reserve choices: | R 1 | |
| | R 2 | |

Parental/Guardian signature: _____

Please return this form to your guidance teacher as soon as possible, but no later than Monday 5th March 2018.

Note that no courses can be guaranteed – courses will only run if both staff availability and class size permits. If your preference becomes unavailable then you will be required to select another course.

SfW – Energy for girls will be running for 15 girls next session. Mrs Slater will discuss options with them on an individual basis.



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S3 Subject Course Descriptors



| Subject | Paper copy requested (✓) |
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| Administration & IT | |
| Art & Design | |
| Biology | |
| Business | |
| Chemistry | |
| Computing Science | |
| Digital Literacy | |
| Drama | |
| English | |
| French | |
| Geography | |
| German | |
| Health & Food Technology | |
| History | |
| Hospitality (cookery) | |
| Mathematics | |
| Modern Studies | |
| Music | |
| Physical Education (core) | |
| Physical Education (Creative) | |
| Physical Education (SQA) | |
| Physics | |
| PSE | |
| RMPS | |
| Scottish Studies 'Values & Beliefs' | |
| Spanish | |
| Technical: Design & Manufacture | |
| Technical: Graphic Communication | |
| Technical: Woodwork | |

Course information sheets can be found on the school website.

www.banffacademy.aberdeenshire.sch.uk – Pupils – Course Information.

Should you require a print-out of course information, please identify which subject and return this form to the school office.

Name: _____

Class _____