

Aboyne Academy - S3 Course Choice Information Sheet 2021-2022



- During S3, which is the final year of your Broad General Education, you should continue to study courses across all curriculum areas.
- Four of these curriculum areas include 'core' courses which all pupils must follow.
- Pupils may be guided in their Languages choice to ensure they achieve a languages qualification in S4. Similarly, Applications of Maths is a highly desirable alternative to Maths for some pupils at this stage. Some high attaining pupils may have the option of doing this qualification at Nat 5 level alongside their Maths Nat 5 in S4
- You also have five choices of course from the other four curriculum areas.

Curriculum Areas – Core			
Health and wellbeing	Religious and Moral Education	Languages and Literacy	Maths and Numeracy
PE (2 periods) PSE (1 period)	RME (1 period)	English (4 periods) Modern Languages (3 periods)	Mathematics/Applications of Maths (4 periods)

Make your choices by following the steps below and entering your choices on the electronic form – [click here to access the form](#).

Please complete the electronic form by Friday 12th March 2021

- Choose one subject from each of the four choice areas (see table below) and an additional choice from the last column of the table.
- Your choices should be in **order of preference** with 1 being your highest priority and 5 your lowest priority.
- Make two reserve choices and note these in the Reserve Choices boxes.
- You need to think carefully about your course choices. **You will continue with 7 of the subjects you have chosen in S4.**
- Discuss your choices with your Parents / Carers at home. Your Guidance Teacher is also here to help and will discuss your choices with you. The resources on the My World of Work website are also designed to help you.
- **Please note that courses offered are subject to pupil uptake and staffing and may change or need to be re-chosen if there are staff vacancies.**

Curriculum Areas - Choices				
Choice 1	Choice 2	Choice 3	Choice 4	Choice 5
Expressive Arts (3 periods)	Sciences (3 periods)	Social Subjects (3 periods)	Technologies (3 Periods)	Additional Choice (3 periods)
Art and Design Music PE Drama	Biology Chemistry Physics or Science course (skills-based course with elements of all 3 sciences progressing to qualification in S4. Cannot be combined with any other science subject). <i>Note any pupil who wishes to choose 3 sciences linked to their career plans should speak to their guidance teacher in the first instance. Pupils considering this can choose physics in the Technologies section.</i>	Business Management Geography History Modern Studies RMPS	Engineering Science Home Economics Admin and IT Graphic Communication Practical Woodwork Physics (if three Sciences)	Spanish* Art and Design Drama Music PE Biology Chemistry Physics Business Management Geography History Modern Studies RMPS Engineering Science Home Economics Admin and IT Practical Woodwork Graphic Communication

* Pupils wishing to study two languages should choose Spanish as their Choice 5