



# Mrs Kathryn Derrick (Acting DHT, S2 Year Head) Mr Iain Ross (DHT, S3 Year Head)

## **A Big Decision**

 These choices will influence what subjects pupils study in S4/5/6, which will have an impact on what they do after school.

 Help is on offer to help pupils to make the best possible choices.

#### **Guidance Team**

Teacher House

Mr J Rushworth Burns

Ms M McAlister Fleming

Ms Ramage Kelvin

Ms J McSherry Macdonald

Mrs A Currie Muir

Mrs S Shearer Thomson

# **Other Key Individuals**

- Mrs Ailsa Slavin Principal Teacher, LSR
- Mrs Michele Stevenson Principal Teacher, ELR
- Ms Natalie Hendrie Principal Teacher, Employability
- Parents/Guardians, family and friends



### **Careers Advisers**

Ms Sandra Fleming and Ms Ruth Bell

Skills Development Scotland Centre

New College Lanarkshire

Kirkintilloch Campus

50 Southbank Road

Kirkintilloch

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# **Online Support**

#### Some websites to assist with careers research:

- www.skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk
- www.myworldofwork.co.uk
- www.planitplus.net
- www.prospects.ac.uk
- www.ucas.com



# <u>Curriculum for Excellence:</u> <u>a two phase model</u>

- S1 S3: Broad General Education
- S4 S6: Senior Phase (SQA Certification)



# The story so far...

 Your son/daughter has been experiencing the Broad General Education in S1-2 and this will continue into the early stages of S3.

• The Broad General Education includes Experiences and Outcomes across **eight curricular areas** up to and including the third level. These should be experienced by all pupils, as far as this is consistent with their learning needs and prior achievements.

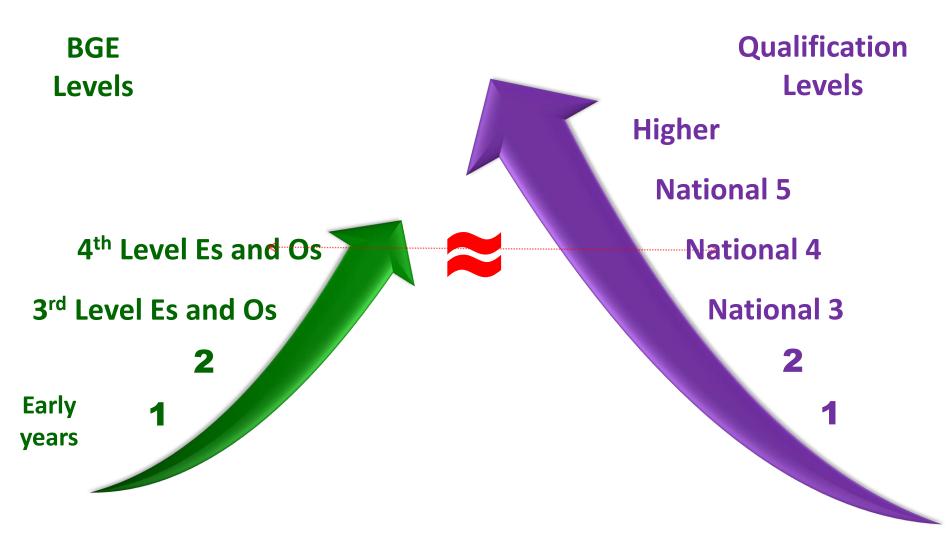
# **The Eight Curricular Areas**

- Expressive Arts
- Health and Wellbeing
- Languages
- Mathematics
- Religious and Moral Education
- Sciences
- Social Studies
- Technologies

#### **Progression from the BGE to the Senior Phase**

- The BGE option form provides the opportunity for pupils to make choices that will allow them to continue to study each of the eight curricular areas.
- Pupils will progress from level 3 or 4 Experiences and Outcomes to the appropriate National Qualifications.
- Early preparatory work for National Qualifications at levels 4 and 5 will begin in S3.
- By the end of S4, pupils will be presented for either National 4 or 5 in their chosen subjects.

#### Relationship between BGE and Qualification Levels





# **The Choice**

# 15 Subjects in S2 will reduce to 9 in S3

+ PE, PSE and RMPS

# **Preparation for Choice**

- PSE programme
- Guidance support
- Careers support
- Practice option form
- Subject advice from departments
- Subject information from The National Parent Forum of Scotland (e.g. 'Nationals in a Nutshell')
- Assemblies

# Good reasons to choose a subject

Ability

Enjoyment

Related to possible Further/Higher Education

Related to possible career

# Poor reasons to choose a subject

Your friends are taking it

You do/don't like certain teachers

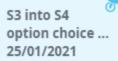
Your parents do/don't want you to do it

It sounds good (but you don't know much about it)

# Completing the option form

- This year for the first time we have moved to an electronic option form
- This has worked extremely well for our S3-6 (98% completion by the deadline date) and is completed through Microsoft Forms
- Mrs Derrick will post a link to the form on both the S2 TEAMS page and SHMW on 1<sup>ST</sup> March
- Forms must be submitted by Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March

# 1. Accessing the form



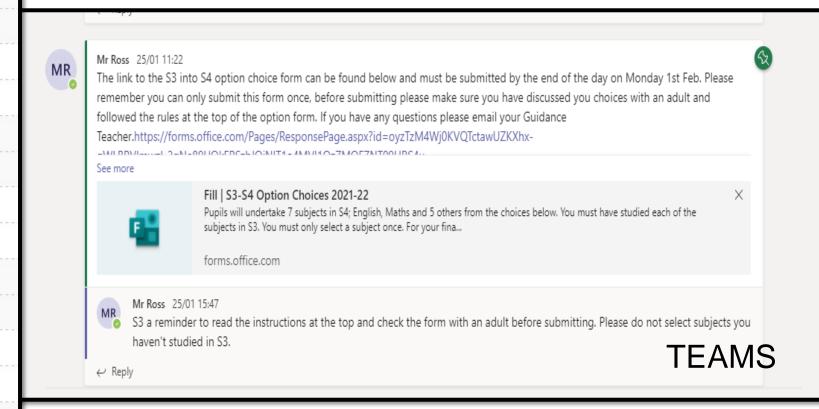
The link to the
S3 into S4 option
choice form can
be found below
and must be
submitted by the
end of the day
on Monday 1st
Feb. Please
remember you...

More detail

0 Attachments

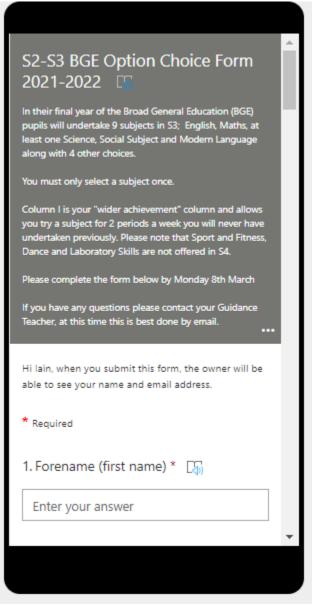
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**SMHW** 



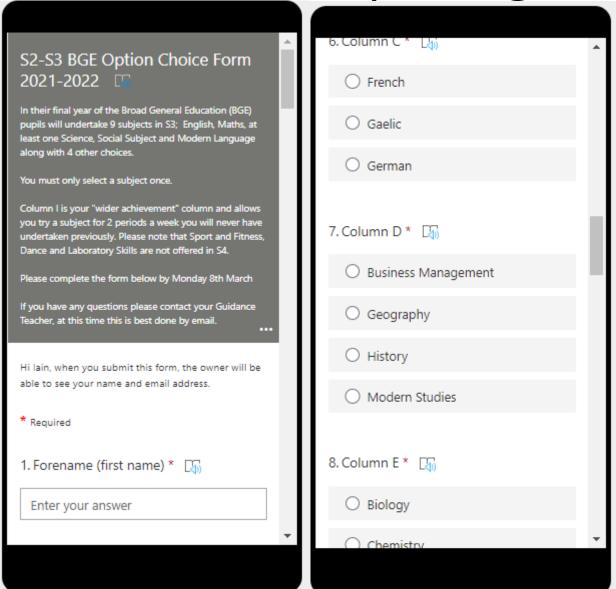
Mrs Derrick will post a notification on both SMHW and TEAMS. Only S2 pupils can access the form - if you log in with your own details you won't be given access.

2. Completing the form



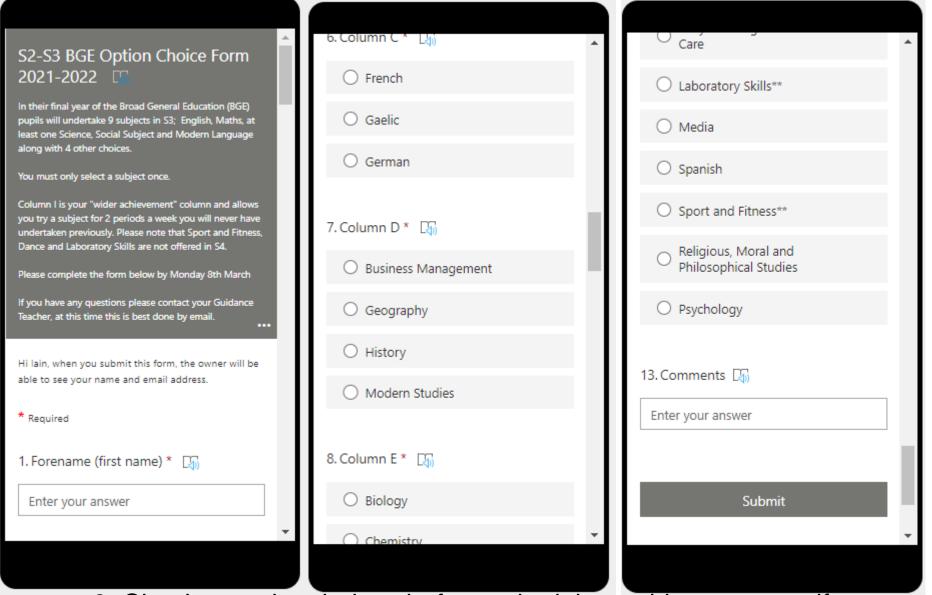
1. Please read over the instructions at the top with your child.

2. Completing the form



2. Select one subject in each column, take care not to select the same subject twice.

2. Completing the form



3. Check over the choices before submitting, add a comment if you have one then hit "submit".

# The form can be accessed on the school website for an overview of the choices available.

BGE Option Form 2020-21	Name	Class



- Please indicate your choice of subjects below (in Column I please place a 1 beside your first choice and 2 beside your second choice)

Col A		Col B		Col C		Col D		Col E		Col F		Col G		Col H		Coll	
	х		х		х		х		х		х		х		х		1 or 2
English		Maths		French		Business Management		Biology		Art & Design		Administration & IT		Art & Design		Accounting	
				Gaelic		Geography		Chemistry		Design & Manufacture		Business Management		Biology		Dance	
				German		History		Physics		Drama		Computing Science		Chemistry		Early Learning and Child Care	
						Modern Studies				Graphic Comm		Drama		Computing Science		Laboratory Skills	
										Health & Food Technology		Engineering Science		Geography		Media	
										Music		Graphic Comm		Health & Food Technology		Spanish	
										PE Studies		Practical Woodworking		History		Sport and Fitness	
														Hospitality		RMPS	
														Modern Studies		Psychology	
														Music			
														Physics			

All pupils will also take lessons in RMPS, PE and PSE.

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# Thank you. If you have any questions, please contact Mr Ross or Mrs Derrick.