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**The Royal High School Calendar 2020/21 Session**

Wednesday	27th January 2021	S3 Tracking Report issued
Friday	29th January 2021	S4/5/6 Tracking Report issued
Monday	01 February 2021	S4 Parents Evening
By Friday	05 February 2021	S4 Course Choice with Guidance
Tuesday	16 February 2021	S5-6 Parents Evening
By Thursday	18 February 2021	S5 Course Choice with Guidance
Wednesday	24 February 2021	S3 Parents Evening
By Friday	26 February 2021	S3 Course Choice with Guidance



## COURSE CHOICE

[Senior Phase Course Outline 2021](#)

[S2 into S3 coursing info sheet 2021](#)

[S3 into S4 coursing info sheet 2021](#)

[S4 into S5 coursing info sheet 2021](#)

[S5 into S6 coursing info sheet 2021](#)

[S2 Parents Course Choice Evening Jan 2021](#)

<https://www.npfs.org.uk/downloads/category/in-a-nutshell-series/nationals-in-a-nutshell-series>

Parents Booking

### Recent News Posts

- MR CHAMBERS CIRCUIT FOR CANCER
- Tribute to Jock 'Badger' Dewar
- 2019 Leavers Photos
- Death of David Sommerville
- Operating Theatre Live Public Event

### Upcoming Events

**Tuesday, 26 January**

S3-5 Parents Information Evening

**Wednesday, 27 January**

S3 Senior Course Choice & Recco

Events shown in time zone:  
United Kingdom Time



# Overview

- Senior Phase Structure
- Senior Phase Pathways
- Senior Phase Pathways Advice
  - Senior Phase Assessment
- Senior Phase Tracking Report
- Senior Phase Course Choice



# Senior Phase Structure





# S3 Broad General Education

<b>S3</b>
English (4)
Maths (4)
Science (3)
Modern Languages (3)
Expressive Arts (3)
Social Studies (3)
Technologies (3)
Free Choice (3)
Academies (2)
Physical Education (2)
Social Education (1)
Religious Education (1)

# Senior Phase S4

## Continue with 7 of the 8 selected in S3.

S4
Choice 1 (4)
Choice 2 (4)
Choice 3 (4)
Choice 4 (4)
Choice 5 (4)
English (4)
Maths (4)
Physical Education (2)
Social Education (1)
Religious Education (1)

## Senior Phase (S5-6)

### S5

Choice 1 (4/6)

Choice 2 (4/6)

Choice 3 (4/6)

Choice 4 (4/6)

Choice 5 (4/6)

Academy (1)

Social Education/Study (1)

### S6

Choice 1 (4/6)

Choice 2 (4/6)

Choice 3 (4/6)

Choice 4 (4/6)

Academy (1)

Social Education/Study (1)

# Senior Phase Pathways





# School College Partnership

<http://www.edinburghcollege.ac.uk/courses/schools>



## SCHOOLS

Home > Courses > schools

### FILTER YOUR SEARCH

#### AREA OF INTEREST

ACCOUNTANCY

ACTING

ART

AUTOMOTIVE

BUILDING-SERVICES

BUSINESS

#### SCQF LEVEL

LEVEL 3

LEVEL 4

LEVEL 5

LEVEL 6

LEVEL 7

#### Data Science NPA (SCP)

THIS COURSE IS FOR SENIOR PHASE PUPILS WHO ARE STILL AT SCHOOLThe NPA Data Science qualification is offered to Senior Phase school pupils at level 5/6 depending on applicant abil... [Read more](#)

#### Design Engineer Construct Level 1

THIS COURSE IS FOR SENIOR PHASE PUPILS WHO ARE STILL AT SCHOOLTQUK Level 1 Certificate in Design Engineer Construct (DEC): The Digital Built Environment.This is an a... [Read more](#)

#### Design Engineer Construct Level 2

THIS COURSE IS FOR SENIOR PHASE PUPILS WHO ARE STILL AT SCHOOL TQUK Level 2 Certificate in Design Engin... [Read more](#)

#### Digital Media Editing NPA 5 (SCP)

THIS COURSE IS FOR S5 & S6 PUPILS WHO ARE STILL AT SCHOOL This part-time



# SQA Qualifications in the Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework



SCQF Levels

SCQF Levels

12

12

Doctorate\*

11

11

Masters\*

SVQ 5

10

10

Honours Degree\*

9

9

Ordinary Degree\*

Professional Development Awards

SVQ 4

8

8

Higher National Diploma

7

7

Advanced Higher Scottish Baccalaureates

Higher National Certificate

SVQ 3

6

6

Higher Skills for Work Higher

Awards

5

5

National 5 / Skills for Work National 5

National Progression Awards / National Certificates

SVQ 2

4

4

National 4 / Skills for Work National 4

SVQ 1

3

3

National 3 / Skills for Work National 3

2

2

National 2

1

1

National 1

\*Benchmark qualifications of higher education institutions



Pupil A

2019 (S4)			2020 (S5)			2021 (S6)	
Course Name	Results	Award	Course Name	Results	Award	Course Name	Level
Art and Design	N5	A	Art and Design	Higher	A	Art and Design	AH
Biology	N5	B	Biology	Higher	B	Biology	AH
Computing Science	N5	C	Computing Science	Higher	C		
English	N5	B	English	Higher	B		
Geography	N5	C					
German	N5	D					
Maths	N4	P	Mathematics	N5	C		
						Phycology	H

Pupil B

2019 (S4)			2020 (S5)			2021 (S6)	
Course Name	Results	Award	Course Name	Results	Award	Course Name	Level
Biology	N5	A	Biology	Higher	A		
Chemistry	N5	A	Chemistry	Higher	B		
Computing Science	N5	A					
English	N5	C				English	H
German	N5	A					
Mathematics	N5	A	Mathematics	Higher	A		
Modern Studies	N5	F					
			Music	Higher	A	Music	AH
						Sound Production	NPA L6

Pupil C

2019 (S4)			2020 (S5)			2021 (S6)	
Course Name	Results	Award	Course Name	Results	Award	Course Name	Level
Art and Design	N5	B	Art and Design	Higher	B		
Biology	N5	D				Biology	Higher
English	N5	D	English	Higher	C		
Geography	N4	P				Geography	Higher
Media	N4	P					
Physics	N4	P					
Maths	N4	P	Mathematics	N5	C	Mathematics	N5
			Practical Cookery	N5	C		
			Travel and Tourism	N5	C		
						Graphics	N5

# Senior Phase Pathways Advice



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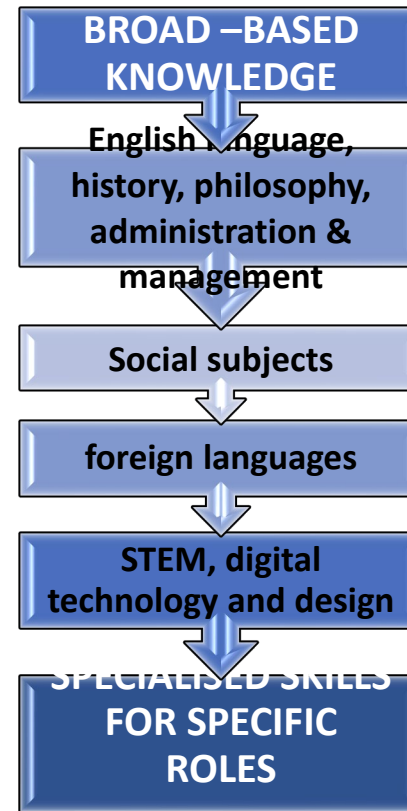
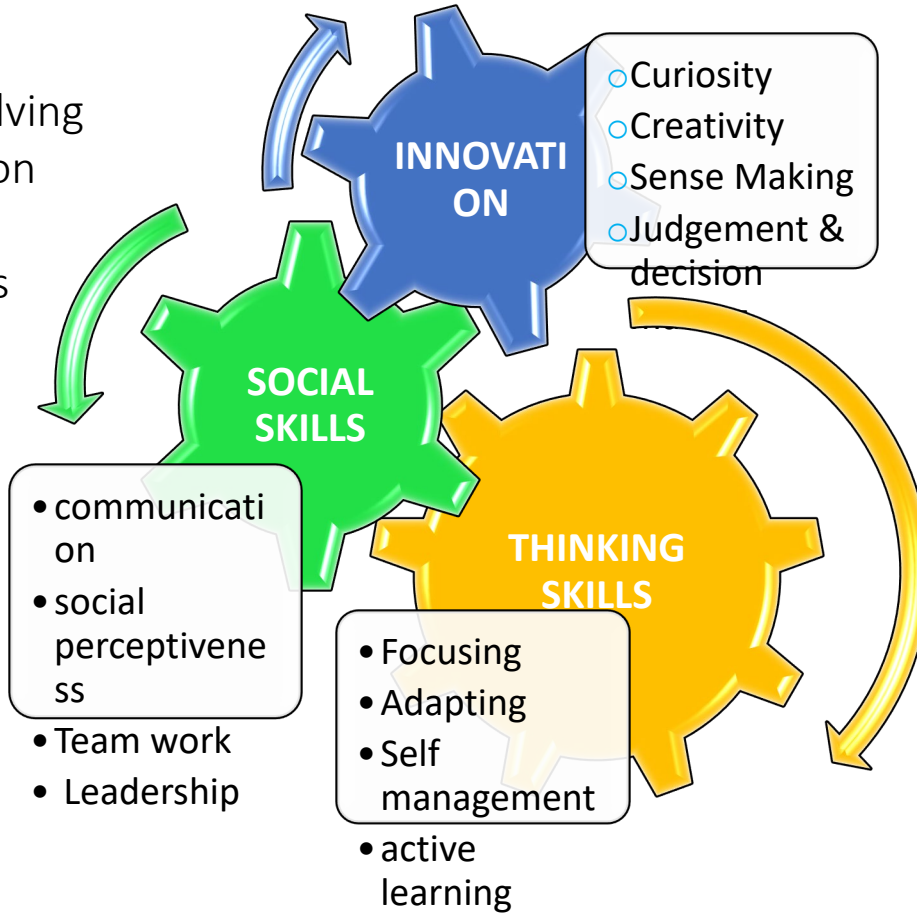


# Career Management Skills



# Skills of the Future

Creativity  
Problem solving  
Collaboration  
Listening  
Self-starters  
Analysis  
Continual learning  
Curiosity





Choosing my subjects | My World of Work

myworldofwork.co.uk/my-career-options/choosing-my-subjects

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## Choosing my subjects

Bookmark Share

Thinking about what subjects to take at school? We can help you with the decision.

### Why subject choices are important

Choosing your subjects is a big decision.

It can have an impact on what you do when you leave school and what options are open to you.

Ask yourself these three questions to help you make the right choice:

1. What subjects do you enjoy?
2. What subjects are you good at?

Feedback

Subject Choices tool | My World of Work

myworldofwork.co.uk/tools/subject-choices

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## Subject Choices tool

Discover jobs that might suit you based on your subject choices. Enter up to six school subjects including Foundation Apprenticeships.

Enter subject title

Choose some options

1 2 3 4 5 6

Feedback

Show my career options

# Senior Phase Reports



# S3 Report

## Levels

1P - Progressing within 1st level

2W - Working at 2nd level

4P - Progressing within 4th level

1W - Working at 1st level

3P - Progressing within 3rd level

4W - Working at 4th level

2P - Progressing within 2nd level

3W - Working at 3rd level

## Progress values

1

Level almost achieved

2

Making good progress

3

Early engagement with this level

## Behaviour/Effort/Homework values

1

Excellent

2

Good

3

Inconsistent

4

Needs Improvement

## Key for Next Steps For Improvement (NSI)

A - Bring your iPad/ other school equipment, ready to learn

D - Complete coursework to best of your ability

G - Complete homework on time

J - Revise key skills

M - Read over class notes at home

P - Improve organisation of school materials

B - Use the resources on One Note

E - Engage more in class

H - Improve the quality of homework

K - Listen to instructions carefully

N - Improve focus and commitment in class

Q - Avoid causing or getting involved in distractions

C - Go to Study Support classes

F - Finish classwork at home

I - Improve attendance & punctuality

L - Ask for help

O - Catch up on work missed

R - A pleasure to have in class

# S3 Report

<i>Subject (Teacher)</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Progress</i>	<i>Level</i>			<i>Homework</i>	<i>NSI</i>	
			<i>Next Year</i>	<i>Behaviour</i>	<i>Effort</i>		<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>
Business Management (Miss Duncan)	4W		5				W	T
Craft and Design (Mrs Givan)	3P		5				R	S
English (Mr Robertson)	4W		5				W	E
Enhancement (Mr Welsh)								
French (Mrs Donnelly)	4W		5					
Geography (Mrs Fulton)	4W		5				R	D
Mathematics (Miss Dupraz)	3P		4				E	D
Physical Education (Mr Townsend)	4W		5				T	V
Physics (Mr Thorbjornsen)	4W		4				S	R
Religious Studies (Miss Downey)			5				R	S

# S4/5/6 Report

## Behaviour, Effort and Homework values

 Excellent	 Good	 Inconsistent	 Needs Improvement
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## National Qualification Levels

3 - NAT3
4 - NAT4
5 - NAT5
6 - Higher
7 - AH
NPA - NPA
C - College
A - Apprenticeship

## National 5 / Higher /Advanced Higher Grad

1	A >=85
2	A 70-84
3	B 65-69
4	B 60-64
5	C 55-59
6	C 50-54
7	D 40-49
8	F <40
9	Fail
Fail	Fail
Pass	Pass

NAT3 / NAT4 / NPA Grades will be Pass or Fail




## Progress




	On track
	Off Track
	Not yet progressing
	Not enough evidence to comment


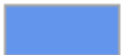
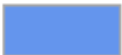
## Key for Next Steps For Improvement (NSI)

A - Bring your iPad/ other school equipment, ready to learn	B - Use the resources on One Note	D - Complete coursework to best of your ability
E - Engage more in class	F - Finish classwork at home	G - Complete homework on time

# S4 Report




<i>Subject</i>	<i>NQ Level</i>	<i>Working Grade</i>	<i>Target Grade</i>	<i>Progress</i>	<i>Prelim Grade</i>	<i>NQ Level Next Year</i>	<i>Behaviour</i>	<i>Effort</i>	<i>Homework</i>	<i>NSI 1 / 2</i>	
Biology	4	Pass				5				R	D

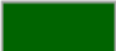
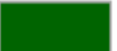
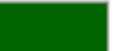
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Computing Science:	5	B				6				U	J




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English:	5	8				5				A	I



# S5 Report

<i>Subject</i>	<i>NQ Level</i>	<i>Working Grade</i>	<i>Target Grade</i>	<i>Progress</i>	<i>Prelim Grade</i>	<i>NQ Level Next Year</i>	<i>Behaviour</i>	<i>Effort</i>	<i>Homework</i>	<i>NSI 1 / 2</i>	
Creative Industries	5	P				NPA				D	E

<i>Subject</i>	<i>NQ Level</i>	<i>Working Grade</i>	<i>Target Grade</i>	<i>Progress</i>	<i>Prelim Grade</i>	<i>NQ Level Next Year</i>	<i>Behaviour</i>	<i>Effort</i>	<i>Homework</i>	<i>NSI 1 / 2</i>	
Chemistry:	6	C				6				J	L

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Biology:	6	8				6				M	R

# Assessment – current considerations

The National Qualifications Group is working through a range of scenarios and is considering potential flexibilities for the alternative certification model, should they be needed.

This may include extending the date for submitting provisional results.

The priority for schools during January should be to maximise learning and teaching time.

Subject-specific guidance on gathering evidence will be published by the end of January to advise on the types of evidence that can be used to determine a provisional result for each pupil. This will include enhanced guidance for some practical-based subjects.

Formal assessments will take place in the later stages of the 2020-21 session.

# Senior Phase – Course Choice



# S3 progressing into S4

Current S3 Subjects			S4 Subjects Choices		
	Subject	Level Next Year recommended	Subject	Level	Rank order
1	English		English		1
2	Maths		Maths		2
3					3
4					4
5					5
6					6
7					7
8					Reserve

# S4 progressing into S5

Current S4 Subjects			S5 Subjects Choices		
	Subject	NQ Level Next Year recommendation	Subject	Level	Rank order
1	English				1
2	Maths				2
3					3
4					4
5					5
6					Reserve
7					

# S5 progressing into S6

Current S5 Subjects			S6 Subjects Choices		
	Subject	NQ Level Next Year recommendation	Subject	Level	Rank order
1					1
2					2
3					3
4					4
5					Reserve

# Useful websites

<https://royalhigh.wordpress.com/parents-carers/>

<https://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/secondary-school-pupils>

<https://www.npfs.org.uk/downloads/category/in-a-nutshell-series/nationals-in-a-nutshell-series/>

<https://education.gov.scot/parentzone/>

