



WALLACE HIGH SCHOOL

*Options Information ~ S3
(New S4) ~ January 2023*



- ◎ Mrs Harris ~ S3/4 Year Head and Curriculum Overview
- ◎ Mrs Spencer/Mr Gracie ~ Pupil Support Leaders
- ◎ Mrs Lafferty ~ SDS (Careers Advisor)

ACCESSING INFORMATION

School App for Parents:



School Website:

<https://www.wallacehigh.org.uk/curriculumoverview/curriculum-overview/s4-course-choice>

*We value a culture
that supports
equity of
opportunity and
aspiration...*

...BALANCED WITH EVIDENCE-BASED DECISIONS

*We encourage pupils to make decisions based on the **evidence** of their school experience and wider life to date.*

*This means considering your course options by taking fully into account your **strongest subjects** and those you **enjoy** and **work hardest in**.*

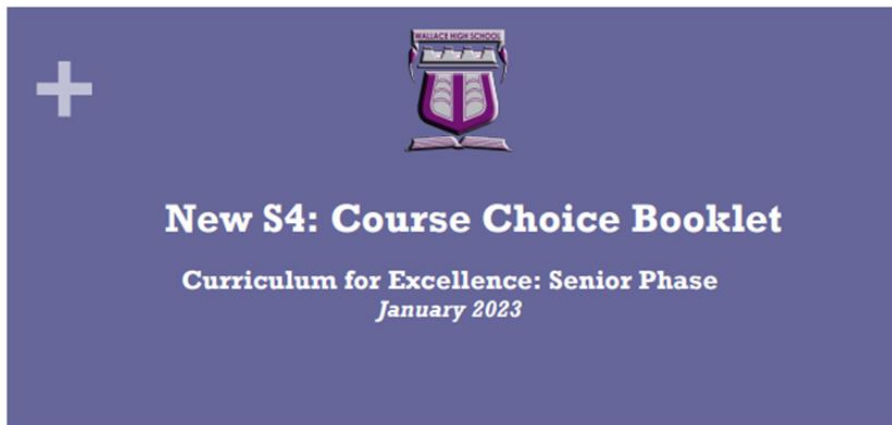
You have had lots of feedback on this in your first three years in school and so you should have a good idea of your strongest areas and those that you, broadly, wish to continue to study.

S4 OPTIONS


S4 2023/24

- ◉ 7 full subject courses
- ◉ 4 periods each + 2 x core PE + 1 x core RMPS + 1 x flexible study support/HWB
- ◉ English, Maths and five 'open' options
- ◉ Encourage breadth but the OPTION for specialism and focus is there
- ◉ There are a range of college options for pupils - please discuss with Pupil Support
- ◉ All pupils must choose one back-up option in case a subject is over-subscribed


S4 Options ~ details for all courses are available in our online Course Choice Booklet




OPTIONS WEBSITE - LIVE MONDAY



 Options Information








Home S4 ▾ 🔍



OPTIONS CHOICE








WELCOME

Welcome to the Course Choice Option website.


Please use the information on this site to help you pick appropriate courses for you to study.

REMEMBER: you can also speak with your subject teachers, Pupil Support Teacher, and Year Head.


SELECT YOUR NEXT STAGE




S3



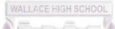
Secondary Three




S4




Secondary Four




S5



Secondary Five




S6



Secondary Six

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S4 Options ~ Online Form (Live from Monday 16th) on the S3 Google Classroom

In January, all pupils in S3 will choose the subjects that they would like to study in S4.

Course Choice Booklet can be viewed here:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Mf3Kdx3wjGwCB2Tsx2KrCfVeBfNnu99U_SxiRxesvLc/edit

Please note:

- Hospitality & Health and Food Technology: financial contributions will be required from all participants within the course
- * Physical Education and Dance

***Required**

Name *

Your answer

Tutor Group *

Your answer

Select Option 1 *

OPTIONS

- ◉ We attempt to provide an 'open' choice to ensure that we maximise choice of subjects that will lead to success.
- ◉ S3 Pupil Support/Careers interviews have included conversations to support the **BEST** choices being made and an additional parental/pupil meeting can be requested.
- ◉ Even if pupils and parents feel they do not require an additional meeting following completing the online form, all forms will be reviewed by the Pupil Support Team and we will discuss any issues that arise from this by contacting you (ensuring that we have considered, collectively, the **best** options for your child).
- ◉ Where staffing/demand limits a choice in any subject we will discuss this and seek to ensure there is a good alternative choice.


WHAT CHOICES?

- ◉ Depends on performance in prior stage!
- ◉ Choose your **5 BEST** subjects (+ English & Maths)
- ◉ University/college entrance qualifications?
- ◉ Maximise **your** skills
- ◉ Plan courses over **3 years** (think S4 & S5 into S6)
- ◉ Are any subjects required for your chosen/ possible career?
- ◉ Advice from: Pupil Support Leaders/ Subject Specialists/ Careers (SDS)/ My World of Work...don't be afraid to ask your teachers lots of questions about this...

RECAP: WHAT EVIDENCE INFORMS CHOICE?

- ◉ Performance and experience in S3 (and throughout the Broad General Education)
- ◉ Class feedback and discussions
- ◉ Reporting and parental communications
- ◉ Discussions with Careers Advisor (SDS)
- ◉ S3 Pupil Support Leader interviews
- ◉ University/college entry requirements...
- ◉ Course choice booklet, Website & the information within this presentation
- ◉ Discussions at home
- ◉ Parental Course Choice Meetings (if requested)


SDS SUPPORT - FIONA LAFFERTY (CAREERS ADVISOR)

My career options ▾Learn and train ▾Getting a job ▾QSign inRegister

Welcome to My World of Work


When it comes to your career, there are so many possibilities.

But where do you begin? We're not just here to get you started - we're here to guide you every step of the way.



In school or leaving school

We're here to help you plan your future career.



In work or looking for work

Discover your route to new skills or a new career.



What Next?

- We have sent a message out on the **School App** and posted the full **Options Booklet** here and on our website
- The Pupil Support Team will post the link to the online **Options Form** on the **S3 Google Classroom** (live **Monday 16th January**)
- *All pupils* should complete this form by **Friday 20th January**
- If you wish to request a **parental/pupil meeting** to receive support with choices/completing the form, or a careers appointment with Fiona Lafferty, please email **Mrs Spencer/Mr Gracie** (by **Monday 16th**) at:

spencerp07s@glow.sch.uk
graciep07s@glow.sch.uk
- Meetings will be scheduled to support with any individual advice/questions