



WALLACE HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer

Course Choice 2021-2022 – Current S4 making choices for S5

In February, all pupils in S4 will choose the subjects that they would like to study in S5.

Pupils must choose their subjects and submit their choices via the Google Form sent to their school email address by **Friday 26 February 2021**. Courses are offered subject to staff availability and to sufficient numbers opting for each course.

Pupils have a personal choice of the five subjects they wish to study. However, we generally recommend that pupils choose progression from the subjects studied in S4. The decision to ‘pick up’ or ‘crash’ a subject should only be taken where there is clear evidence that pupils’ prior skills development and interests would lead to success. Remember that the majority of pupils stay on at school for S5 and S6, so course choice decisions should reflect this. Every attempt will be made to satisfy the first choices, or the alternative choice as necessary.

The level at which the subject will be studied depends on a pupil gaining the necessary grades to allow entry into the course. There is no need to indicate the level of study as this will be recommended by class teachers and Faculty Leaders based on prior attainment. The following subjects are offered in S5:

Art and Design	Gàidhlig	Music Technology
Business Management	Geography	Personal Development Awards
Chemistry	Graphic Communication	Physical Education
Computing Science	History	Physics
Customer Service & Employability (NPAs)	Human Biology	*Practical Cookery
Design and Manufacture	Laboratory Science	Practical Metalworking
English	Leadership/Volunteering Award	Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies
English as a Second Language	Application of Mathematics	Scottish Studies/People and Society
Fashion and Textile Technology	Mathematics	Spanish
Foundation Apprenticeship	Modern Studies	Sport and Recreation/Leadership Award
French	Music	

*Please note, in common with other secondary schools, Practical Cookery requires a financial contribution of £60 in order to subsidise the cost of disposable materials.

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Pupil's Name: **Tutor Group**.....

Office Use

Subject Choice		
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Subject Choice		
Subject Choice (Alternative Choice)		

Signature of Parent/Carer..... **Date**.....

Google Form to be submitted by Friday 26 February 2021



**Notes for Course Choice for S5
Session 2021 – 2022**

- This form should be studied in conjunction with the S5/S6 Course Choice booklet. All pupils should aim to choose a balanced course of study, bearing in mind the entry requirements of possible higher/further education courses or future careers.
- The vast majority of S5 pupils return to school for S6. It is important that they consider the progression of courses, which they may wish to take from S5 through to S6. It may be that a subject which cannot be taken in S5, because of the restricted choice of five subjects, can be taken up again in S6 and so planning over two years really helps at this stage.
- **All courses are subject to the availability of staff and accommodation.** In the case of courses being oversubscribed, we will use the full suite of pupil support information and consider planned student pathways, in discussion with pupils, in order to select which students would most benefit from the study of the subject at the level indicated. The rationale for these decisions will be discussed with pupils if limitation of numbers is required.

Please note: the full Course Choice booklet is available on our Parental App and our website