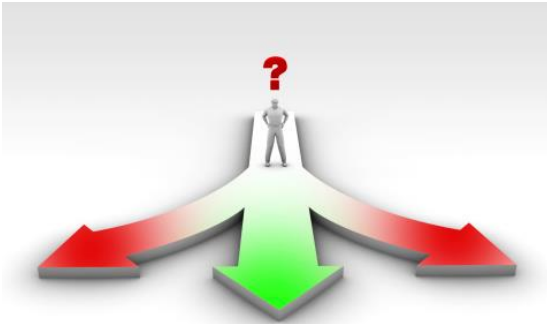




# WALLACE HIGH SCHOOL

Options Evening ~ New S5/6 ~ March 1<sup>st</sup>  
2017

- ◉ Mrs Ritchie/ Mr Downie ~ UCAS (full Information Evening in September) ~ Head of new S5/6
- ◉ Mrs Harris ~ Head of current S4
- ◉ Mr Kerr ~ PT PS for current S5 ~ advises on options for year group
- ◉ Miss Dunsmore ~ PTPS for new S5 ~ advises on options for year group
- ◉ Fiona Lafferty, Mr Smith (PT DYW) & MYWOW Ambassadors ~ Skills Development Scotland
- ◉ Ernie Romer - FVC
- ◉ Series of colleagues from different faculties



Which  
way  
now???

Culture that  
supports equity of  
opportunity and  
aspiration...

# ...BALANCED WITH EVIDENCE- BASED DECISIONS

- ⦿ ***Aspiration;***
- ⦿ ***Attainment***
- motivation;***
- effort...***

Possible Tensions

# S5 & S6 OPTIONS

## S5 2017/18

5 full subject courses (includes personalised arrangements - college etc.)

## S6 2017/18

Minimum 4 core options (includes Sports Leader, Community Service, Peer Support, agreed personalised experience etc.)

+ 1 column of structured study

# ENTRY TO COURSES

- ◉ NATIONAL 5 (SCQF 5) courses are designed to follow on from National 4 (SCQF 4)
- ◉ HIGHER (SCQF 6) courses are designed to follow on from National 5 (SCQF 5)
- ◉ ADVANCED HIGHER (SCQF 7) courses are designed to follow on from Higher (SCQF 6)

# OPTIONS

- ◉ We attempt to provide a structure that ensures that we maximise access to first choice subjects
- ◉ Interviews are designed to support rigour when choosing to ensure the **BEST** choices are being made
- ◉ Where staffing/demand limits a choice in any subject we will discuss this and seek to ensure this is achievable over S5/6
- ◉ Advanced Higher period allocation and range depends on uptake



# WHAT CHOICES?

- ◉ Depends on attainment in prior stage!
- ◉ Choose your **5 BEST** subjects
- ◉ University/college entrance qualifications?
- ◉ Coherent combinations
- ◉ Plan courses over 2 years (S5 into S6)
- ◉ Are any subjects required for your chosen career?
- ◉ Pupil Support PT/ Subject Specialists/ SDS (Fiona Lafferty)/ My World of Work...

# WHAT EVIDENCE INFORMS CHOICE?

- ⦿ Performance this year (prior attainment)
- ⦿ Class feedback and discussions
- ⦿ Reporting and parental communications
- ⦿ Discussions with Skills Development Scotland; PT PS; university/college requirements...
- ⦿ Course choice booklet
- ⦿ This evening
- ⦿ Discussions at home
- ⦿ Course Choice Interviews: Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March and re-coursing in August following results



# Qualifications by the end of S5

## University of Strathclyde

Degree: e.g. BA Hons

Entry: **Minimum** 4 Highers + Nat 5 English and Maths

## University of Stirling

Degree: BSc Aquaculture

Entry: Highers BBBB. One of Biology, Chemistry, Human Biology and Maths or Physics (B). Nat 5 Maths

Degree: BSc Ecology

Entry: Highers BBBB. One of Human Biology, Biology and Maths or Physics (B). Nat 5 English

## University of Aberdeen

Degree: Chemical Engineering BEng / Mechanical Engineering BEng

Entry: Highers BBBB. (B) in Maths and in Physics and/or Technological Studies (B). Nat 5 English

Degree: History BA / Management Science BA

Entry: Highers BBBB. Nat 5 English (minimum)

## University of Glasgow

Degree: Mechanical Engineering BEng / Civil Engineering BEng

Entry: Highers AAAAA in first sitting, including Maths and Physics

Degree: Veterinary Medicine and Surgery BVM&S

Entry: Highers AAAAA first sitting including Chemistry, Biology and either Physics or Mathematics. Chemistry (A) expected. Advanced Highers BB in Chemistry and Biology.

Degree: Business Economics MA (SocSci)

Entry: Highers AAAA first sitting.





# Qualifications by the end of S5

## University of Edinburgh

**Degree: Electrical and Mechanical Engineering BEng**

**Entry: Highers AAAA–ABBB. Include Maths (A), plus Physics (preferably), Engineering or Technological Studies. Nat 5 English.**

**Degree: Business and Accountancy**

**Entry: Highers BBBB. Maths strongly preferred. Nat 5 Maths and English.**

**Degree: Scottish History MA**

**Entry: Highers BBB. Nat 5 English. Maths or an approved Science at Nat 5.**

**Degree: Medicine MBChB**

**Entry: Highers AAAAA to include Chemistry and two of Biology, Mathematics or Physics. Missing Science can be taken in S6. Human Biology can replace Biology. Nat 5 Biology, Chemistry, English and Maths.**

## Queen Margaret University College

**Degree: Physiotherapy BSc Hons**

**Entry: Highers AAAAA or 355 UCAS points**

**Degree: Applied Pharmacology BSc Hons**

**Entry: Highers BCC or 165 UCAS points**

**Degree: Business Management BA/BA Hons**

**Entry: Highers BBB or 195 UCAS points**

**Degree: Podiatry BSc/BSc Hons**

**Entry: Highers BBBC or 245 UCAS points**



# Qualifications by the end of S5

## Examples of University Requirements

University of Aberdeen Statement on National 5 Qualifications is fairly typical:

“The University of Aberdeen currently does not stipulate a minimum number of National 5 subjects.

We do not use the overall number of National 5 qualifications achieved to determine suitability.

There is a requirement to hold minimum qualifications in particular subjects, such as English and Maths, as detailed below.

National 5 in grade C or above is required as follows:

MA and Divinity – English for all degrees; Maths for degrees involving Accountancy, Economics or Finance.

Law – English

Science – English and Maths, plus either Chemistry or Physics

Engineering – English

Primary Education – Maths - Standard Grade 2 or above, Intermediate 2, Grade C or above. National 5 grade still to be set by Scottish Executive Education Department.

Medicine – English and Maths”





QUESTIONS?