



The S3 into S4 Learning Journey: Parent/Carer Guide

The S3 experience Jan – May

- Your child will continue to follow their Broad General Education timetable that they currently have until the start of S4.
- Class teachers will ensure that the S3 experience between January and the change of timetable in May 2020 offers appropriate pace and challenge so that your child is well prepared to embark on National subjects in May 2020.

Choices for S4

- Most students in S4 will study 7 National Qualifications.
- Subjects will include English and Maths, then 5 choices.
- Most students will pick these 5 choices from their S3 subjects.
- PE, RE and PSD will continue in S4 as part of our “core” programme.
- Students will also achieve two SCQF Awards – Wellbeing and Religion, Belief and Values – at level 5 (N5) during their S4 experience next session

Key dates

- 30th January 2020: Your Future evening 5-7pm. Subject teams, Further Education providers and a range of employers will be available for individual discussions on the night.
- Wednesday 5th February 2020: start of Course Choice assemblies with S3-S5 students.
- Friday 28th February 2020: S4 choices to be submitted to school
- 6th May 2020: S4 timetable planned to begin.



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Support with choices and changes

- Input from House team through PSE each week about choices and pathways
- Armadale Academy Learner Pathways web resource will go live next week detailing the range of opportunities available from S3-S6.
- Opportunity to discuss intended choices with class teachers, Principal Teachers Curriculum and House team.
- Your Future evening on 30th January.
- Choices to be submitted to school by Friday 28th February 2020.
- House team will quality assure all student choices and liaise with parents/carers where needed to ensure that students are following appropriate pathways.
- House team can be contacted for further advice where needed.



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