**S5&S6 Learner Pathways Straw Poll for 2025-26**

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**Tick this box if you DO NOT plan to return for next year:**

Soon you will be making your final subject choices for next year and this Straw Poll allows us to gather your views, at this early stage, on the subjects you **think** you will pick for S5/6. In 2025-26, we will be continuing with a full Senior Phase curriculum: this means that **National** level and some **National Progression Award** classes may be composed of pupils from S4, S5 and S6 together; **Higher and other NPA** classes will be only for S5 and S6; **Advanced Highers**, **SQA Leadership** and **Psychology** will be only for S6s.

**In S5**, you must study **5** **subjects**; you will also have 2 periods of PE, 1 of PSE and some periods of **Wider Achievement** if picking any Nationals. Ideally, the subjects you choose should be subjects you are currently studying in S4 to allow for progression in your learning but can also be **new options**.

**In S6,** you must study **5** **subjects if only choosing these at National Levels** **and/or Higher**; you will also have 2 periods of core Study, 1 period of PSE and may have some periods of **Wider Achievement or Volunteering**. Volunteering will mean being timetabled to support a S1-3 class in a subject in which you are competent. If you are pickinga combination of **Advanced Highers and Highers** then **4 or 5** subjects must be chosen; you will also have 2 periods of core Study, 1 of PSE and may have 1 study column (equating to 5 periods) and/or some periods of Volunteering. **If you are picking 3 Advanced Highers then at this stage you may make only 3 choices but are recommended to choose at least 4**.

In the boxes on the reverse of this sheet, number your **choices 1 to 3, 4 or 5** depending on your Learner Pathway, with **1** being the subject you **most** want to study. You **must** also indicate the **Level** you expect to be studying – i.e. N4 for National 4, N5 for National 5, H for Higher or AH for Advanced Higher; your teachers can help you identify this. For example:

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| **Subject** | **N4** | **N5** | **H** | **AH** |
| Religious, Moral and Philosophical Studies |  | 1 |  |  |
| Administration |  |  | 2 |  |

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| **Subject** | **N4** | **N5** | **H** | **AH** | **Subject** | **N4** | **N5** | **H** | **AH** | **Subject** | **N4** | **N5** | **H** | **AH** |
| **English** |  |  |  |  | **PE** |  |  |  |  | **RMPS** |  |  |  |  |
| **Maths** |  |  |  |  | **Health & Food Tech.** |  |  |  |  | **Administration & IT** |  |  |  |  |
| **Applications of Maths** |  |  |  |  | **Drawing Skills – NPA** |  |  |  |  | **Media NPA** |  |  |  |  |
| **Finance (incl Personal Finance)** |  |  |  |  | **Early Learning & Childcare** |  |  |  |  | **Business Management** |  |  |  |  |
| **French** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | **Business and IT NPA** |  |  |  |  |
| **Spanish** |  |  |  |  | **Hospitality: Practical Cookery** |  |  |  |  | **Computing** |  |  |  |  |
| **Mandarin** |  |  |  |  | **Design, Engineer, Construct**  **Level 1** |  |  |  |  | **Art & Design** |  |  |  |  |
| **Biology** |  |  |  |  | **Sport and Recreation NPA** |  |  |  |  | **Drama/NPA Acting and Performance** |  |  |  |  |
| **Chemistry** |  |  |  |  | **History** |  |  |  |  | **Drama** |  |  |  |  |
| **Physics** |  |  |  |  | **Modern Studies** |  |  |  |  | **Music** |  |  |  |  |
| **Health Sector (alternative to Science subjects)** |  |  |  |  | **Geography** |  |  |  |  | **SQA Leadership – S6 only** |  |  |  |  |
| **Laboratory Science** |  |  |  |  | **People & Society** |  |  |  |  | **Languages for Life & Work** |  |  |  |  |
| **Psychology - S6 Only** |  |  |  |  | **Travel and Tourism** |  |  |  |  | **Beauty NPA** |  |  |  |  |
| **English for Speakers of Other Languages** |  |  |  |  | **Italian** |  |  |  |  | **Economics** |  |  |  |  |
| **L6 Scientific Technologies (equivalent of 2 Highers)** |  |  |  |  | **Accounting** |  |  |  |  | **Musical Theatre NPA (S5/6 only)** |  |  |  |  |
| **Practical Woodwork** |  |  |  |  | **Mechanics** |  |  |  |  | **Jewellery Techniques NPA** |  |  |  |  |
| **Sociology (S5/6 only)** |  |  |  |  | **Art Portfolio** |  |  |  |  | **Exercise and Fitness NPA** |  |  |  |  |
| **Philosophy** |  |  |  |  | **Creative Graphics** |  |  |  |  | **Football** |  |  |  |  |
| **Music Technology** |  |  |  |  | **Design and Manufacture** |  |  |  |  | **Dance** |  |  |  |  |
| **Sustainability and Climate Change NPA** |  |  |  |  | **Classical Studies** |  |  |  |  | **Excellence in Sport NPA - Football** |  |  |  |  |
| **PC Passport NPA** |  |  |  |  | **Criminology (S5/6 only)** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

**Please note any other subjects you would like us to offer that do not feature above:**