



S3 into S4 Pathways 2026-27



Please find below the information for your S3 into S4 Pathways process. Please note:

- Every pupil will take Maths/Applications of Maths and English in S4.
- Add to Table 1 your current **7 S3 subjects**.
- Add to Table 2 the **5 subjects you want to carry forward to S4 (your strongest 5)**.
- Please see the reverse for new courses on offer.
- Pupils should bring their completed sheet to their lead professional meeting.
- Please submit your form to your lead professional by **Friday 6th February**.

My Current S3 Subjects (Table 1)
Maths/Applications of Maths
English
Subject 3 –
Subject 4 –
Subject 5 –
Subject 6 –
Subject 7 –
Subject 8 –
Subject 9 –

My S4 Subjects (Table 2)
Maths/Applications of Maths
English
Choice 1 –
Choice 2 –
Choice 3 –
Choice 4 –
Choice 5 –

Pupil Name:

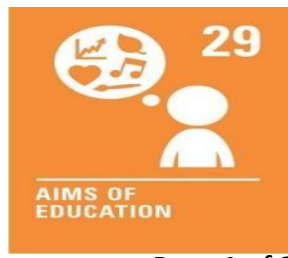
Parent / Carer signature:

Lead Professional signature:

Date of return:

Any additional comments or requests:

Pathways with Purpose Website
 For more course information, scan or click on the QR code:



New S4 Courses for session 2026/27:

Level	Course	Description
National 5	Design & Manufacture (Technologies Faculty)	<p>This course is being delivered by the Technologies Faculty. This course is great for learners attracted by practical activities. It provides a foundation for those considering further study or a career in design, manufacturing, engineering, science, marketing and related disciplines. Though this course is different to e.g. Practical Woodworking and has theory-based elements.</p> <p>For further information, please see Mr Schmidt.</p>
SCQF Level 5	Creative Industries (Expressive Arts Faculty)	<p>Creative Industries at SCQF level 5 is a practical qualification designed for those with an interest in developing skills relevant to the creative sector. It develops knowledge and understanding by allowing the learner to work with a variety of creative briefs and to 'take a creative product to market'.</p> <p>Projects covered could include theatre production, exhibition or installation, musical production, fashion show, dance, radio or film. This course also allows for the development of transferable skills in project management, entrepreneurship, information technology, collaboration, evaluation, and presentation — which are vital for employment within the creative industries.</p> <p>For further information, please see Ms Lundy.</p>
Skills for Work National 5	Lab Science (Science Faculty)	<p>Laboratory Science helps you learn what it's like to work in a real science lab. You get to practise using equipment safely, making measurements, and doing simple experiments that make science feel fun and hands-on. The course teaches you how to follow instructions, record results, and work carefully, giving you the confidence to explore science as you keep learning. There are four units, including a small research project, and the course is completely coursework-based so there is no exam at the end.</p> <p>This would be an ideal course for any pupils who would like to continue with Science but not specialising in Chemistry, Biology or Physics.</p> <p>For further information, please see Mr Pullen.</p>
Skills for Work National 5	Retailing (Technologies Faculty)	<p>This course is based around working in retail, storing and replenishing stock, planning and implementing an event, satisfying customer needs. As well as providing opportunities to develop knowledge of the retail industry, the qualification will give you access to retail activities, and it is hoped that these will allow you to gain experience of a realistic work environment. By the end of the qualification, you will have gained a sound knowledge and experience of the exciting and dynamic industry that is retailing.</p> <p>For further information, please see Mr Schmidt.</p>
SCQF Level 5	NPA – Costume Design (Health and Wellbeing Faculty)	<p>This course focuses on practical and creative skills in Costume Design, introducing you to the technical and design techniques used in the costume industry. You'll build core abilities in sewing, garment construction, and decorative methods.</p> <p>The course includes three mandatory units: Introductory Sewing Machine Skills, Introduction to Garment Pattern Construction, and Introduction to Surface Decoration. In these units, you'll learn how to use sewing machines safely and confidently, take accurate body measurements, draft patterns, and apply a range of surface-decoration and embellishment techniques.</p> <p>Alongside developing your practical and technical skills, you'll also create a portfolio that shows your progress in design and construction. Completing the NPA gives you a strong foundation for moving on to further study in fashion, costume, theatre production, or art and design. It also supports future pathways into creative industries where making, designing, and problem-solving are essential.</p> <p>For further information, please see Mr McGregor.</p>