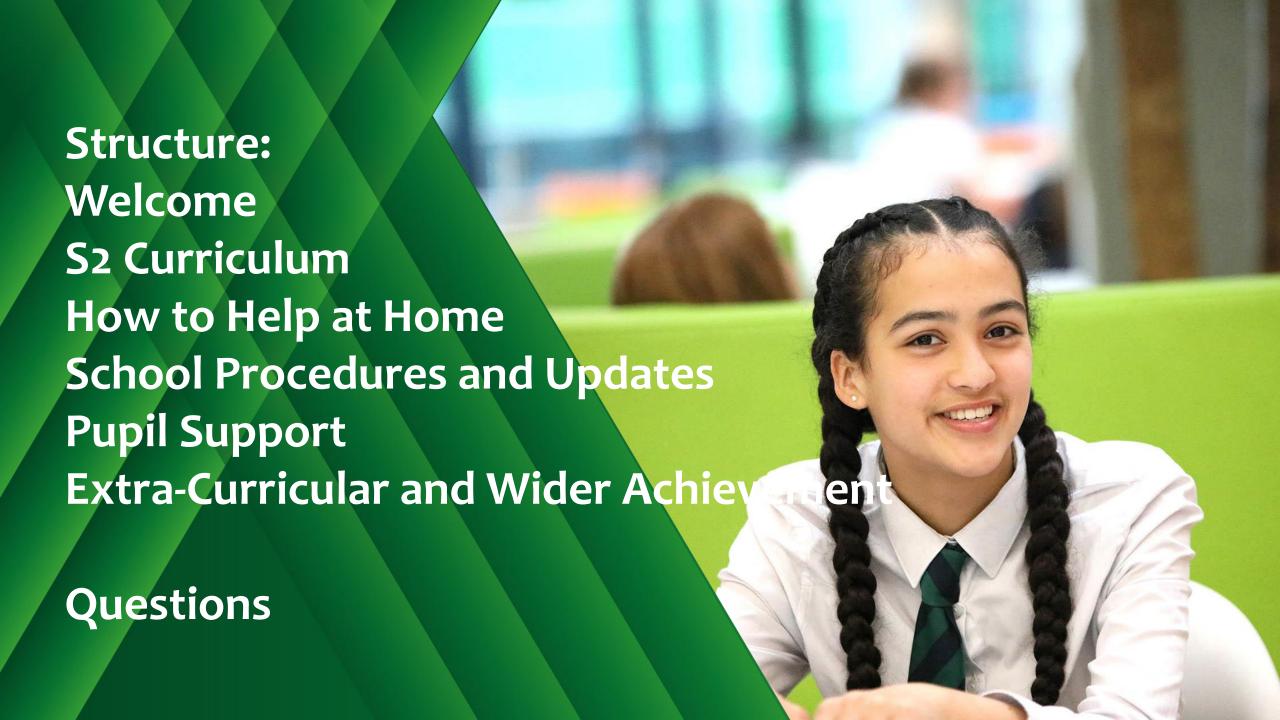


S2 Parent and Carer Information Evening 2025

Kate Fraser Head Teacher
Clive Hembury Depute Head
Teacher S2 and S3

S2 Parent & Carer Information Evening - Sign in Form







To ensure a confident, nurturing and inclusive learning community where all achieve their true potential and embrace life's challenges.

Respectful * Inclusive * Resilient

Our **values** are our shared beliefs that help us make decisions, to know what is right and how we should act in our community:

Respectful – We value empathy, kindness, and consideration in every interaction, fostering an environment where every individual feels valued and heard.

Inclusive – We commit to equity, belonging, and unity, ensuring everyone has the opportunity to thrive and contribute in meaningful ways.

Resilient – We encourage perseverance, determination, and a growth mindset, empowering individuals to navigate challenges with confidence and optimism.



Website and App

Boroughmuir High School Website Link - click here!

School App for Parents

Google Play or App Store Search for 'Boroughmuir High School'.

Username: Boroughmuir

PIN: 0825



Opportunities for personal achievement

Interdisciplinary learning

The Curriculum

'the totality of all that is planned
for children and young people
throughout their
education'

Ethos and life of the school as a community

Curriculum areas and subjects



Pledges...

....by the time pupils leave Boroughmuir everyone will have experienced:

- Performing or presenting
- Outdoor learning
- Joining a club or team
- Lead or volunteered
- First Aid training
- Gaining 5+ academic qualifications
- Work experience





Restart a Heart Live 2025
Wednesday October 1st

Whole school CPR training/refresher BHS Community





S2 Curriculum Summary

A broad range of 16 courses prior to S3 to S6 personalisation and choice

Our aim is for pupils to demonstrate knowledge and skills within the Scottish Curriculum Level 3 (for many)

The S2 curriculum provides a strong foundation for further learning in S3/4



S₂ Curriculum

1 period per we	ek (ppw)	2 ppw	3 ppw	4 ppw
Art and Design	History	Physical Education	French or German or Mandarin	English
Business Education	Modern Studies		Science (Biology, Chemistry and Physics)	Mathematics
Computing Science	HFT			
Craft and Design	Music			
Drama	PSE			
Geography	RMPS			

S2	S3/4 Subject Options	S5 Subject Pathway
Art	Art & Design	Art & Design
	Photography	Photography
Business	Business Management	Business Management
	Economics	Business Skills Foundation Apprentiship
	Administration & IT	Economics
		Admin & IT
Craft and Design	Graphic Communication	Graphic Communication
	Design and Manufacture	Design and Manufacture
	Engineering Science	Woodworking
	Woodworking	Furniture Making
Computing	Computing Science	Computing Science
		Computer Games Development, Digital Media
		Data Science
Drama	Drama	Drama
English	English	English
	Media Studies	Media Studies
		Film and Media
Home Economics	Practical Cookery	Practical Cookery
	Health & Food Technology	Health & Food Technology
		Hospitality

S2 Subject	S3/4 Subject Options	S5 Subject Pathway
Maths	Mathematics Applications of Maths	Mathematics Applications of Maths (N5 or Higher)
Modern Languages	French, German Language for Life (N3/4) Mandarin Spanish	French, German Language for Life (N5) Mandarin Spanish
Music	Music (Performing) Music Technology	Music (Performing)
Physical Education	Physical Education	PE Sport & Exercise Leadership
Science	Biology Science & Health (Princes Trust Achieve Awards/Barrista) Chemistry Physics	Biology Human Biology Chemistry Physics
Social Subjects	Geography History Modern Studies RMPS	Geography History Modern Studies RMPS Philosophy

	Reg	1	2	Break	3	4	Lunch	5	6
	0830	0845-0940	0940-1035		1055-1150	1150-1250		1335-1430	1430-1530
Mon		English	History		Science	Music		Maths	French
Tue		PE	PE		Maths	Drama		Science	Geography
Wed	Registration	Craft and Design	French	Break	Science	English	Lunch	Home Economics	Art
Thur	Œ	French	Business Studies		PSE	Computing Science		English	Maths
Fri		Drama	English		Maths	Religious Studies			

Year Group Assemblies

S2 on Tuesdays at 0830

Programme of themes, visitors, speakers
Update on school events and opportunities
Leadership opportunities

Celebrate our community

Develop positive attitudes



Core PE

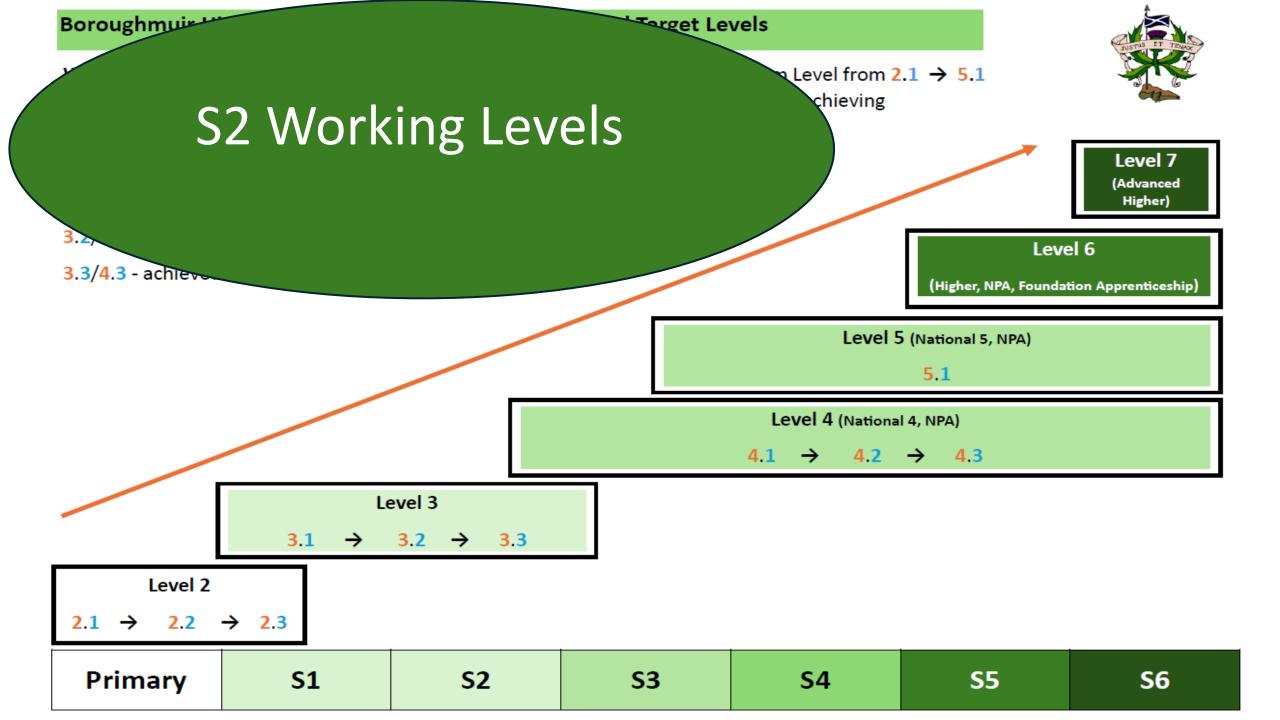
- Experience a range of activities.
- A lot of activities pupils think end up really enjoying!
- We have brilliant and supportive teachers in the PE department!



Other Events to Support the Curriculum

- Assembly Programme
- Cultural Days
- Visiting Roadshows
- Mentors in Violence Prevention
- Junior Chef
- Maths Challenges
- Wellbeing Week
- Careers Fair Visits





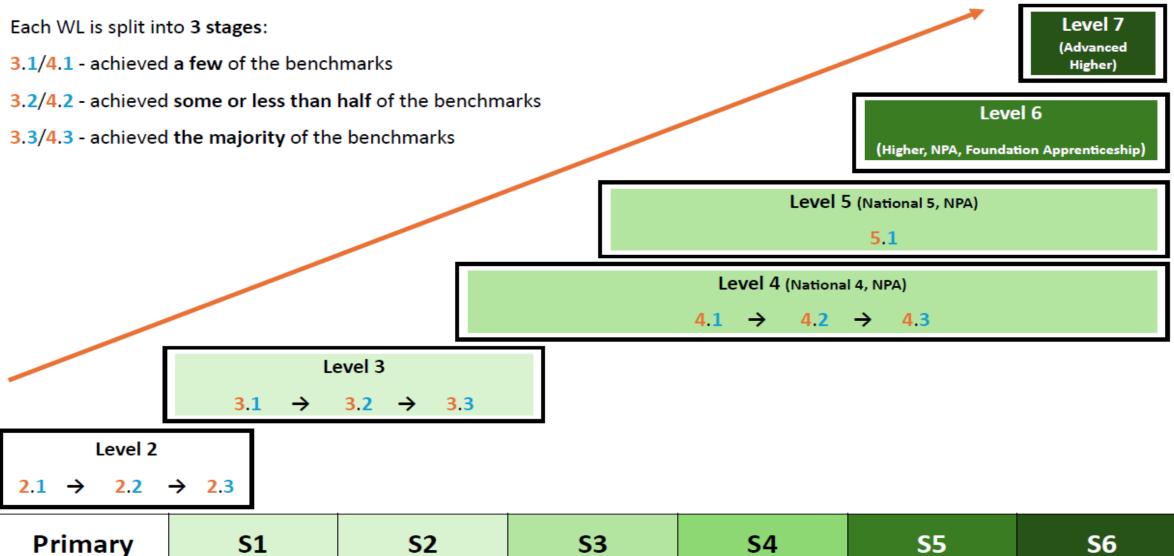
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PREPARE AND
REVISE AT
HOME AS
PART OF
HOMEWORK

PRACTICE REVISION TECHNIQUES

CLASS
TEACHERS,
SUPPORT FOR
LEARNING AND
PSE WILL BE
DISCUSSING
STUDY TOOLS
AND SKILLS

MAKE
REVISION
NOTES, MIND
MAPS AND
FLASH CARDS



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HOMEWORK/ STUDY SUPPORT WEDNESDAYS 1530-1630 VARIOUS
SUBJECT STUDY
SUPPORT
SESSIONS AT
LUNCHTIME OR
AFTER SCHOOL.

YOU WILL GET FEEDBACK ON S3 ASSESSMENTS A **REPORT** WILL BE PROVIDED IN EARLY JUNE.



Office 365

Classes will continue to use Microsoft Office 365

Teams and use this as our virtual platform for blending learning digitally and learning in school.

All classes have assigned Teams pages.

Many class tasks are uploaded onto OneNote and set as Assignments in Teams

Sharepoint pages contain revision material

S3 have a Year Group Team







How to help your child: iPads for organisation



iPads have replaced school diaries. Teachers are now using TEAMS to record deadlines. Students will be used to checking TEAMS / ASSIGNMENTS or CALENDAR to see their homeworks and other deadlines.



They can also use this to set their own alerts, for example for a music lesson or a club.



Families can help by having a weekly sit down with their child to check the iPad and to plan the week ahead.

iPads

Before bed...
Plug in and charge outside bedrooms
...same for phones

Regularly check or iPad software updates
Hide any old Teams



S2 Year Group Team – Class of 2030





BOR S2 Year Group Class of 2030

Home page

Class Notebook

Classwork

Assignments

Grades

Reflect

Insights





BOR S2 Year Group Class of 2030 S1 - S3 Film Club

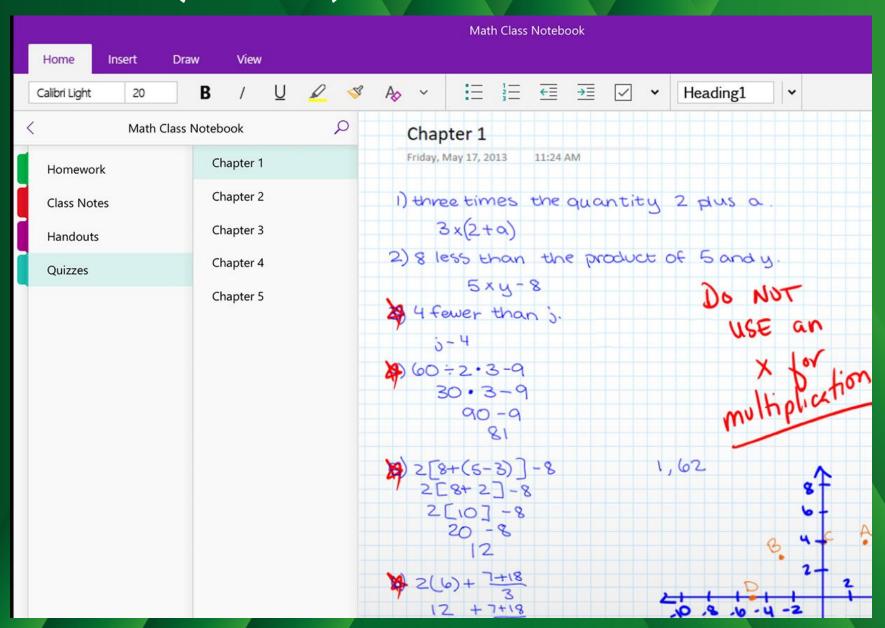
Bring your lunch to G08 (Media Room) on Monday lunchtime (Starting Monday 18th August) to sit and enjoy an amazing film. We will start with *Ferris Bueller's Day Off* but then I am open to suggestions. Any questions, see Miss Dunlop







Class Notebooks (OneNote)





Bitesize













Application of Maths

Art and Design

Biology

Business <u>management</u>

Chemistry

Computing Science













Dance

Design and manufacture

Drama

Engineering science

English

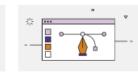
Fashion and textile **technology**













French

Gaelic (Learners)

<u>Geography</u>

German

Graphic communication

Health and food <u>technology</u>













History

Hospitality

Maths



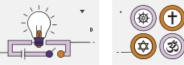
Modern Studies

Music















Music Technology

Physical Education

Physics

Religious, moral and philosophical studies

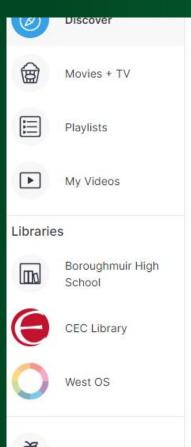
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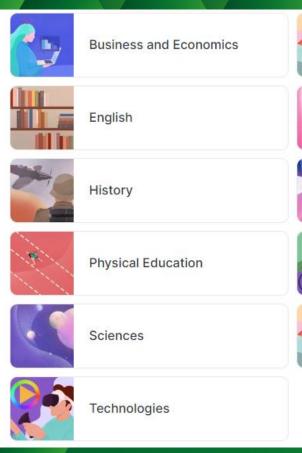
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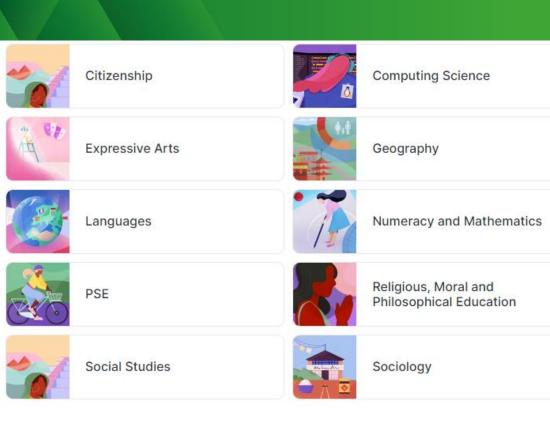
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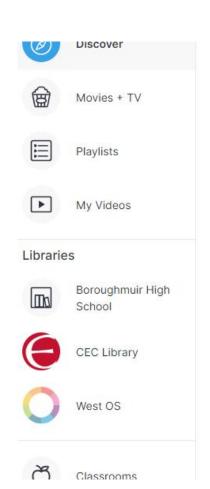


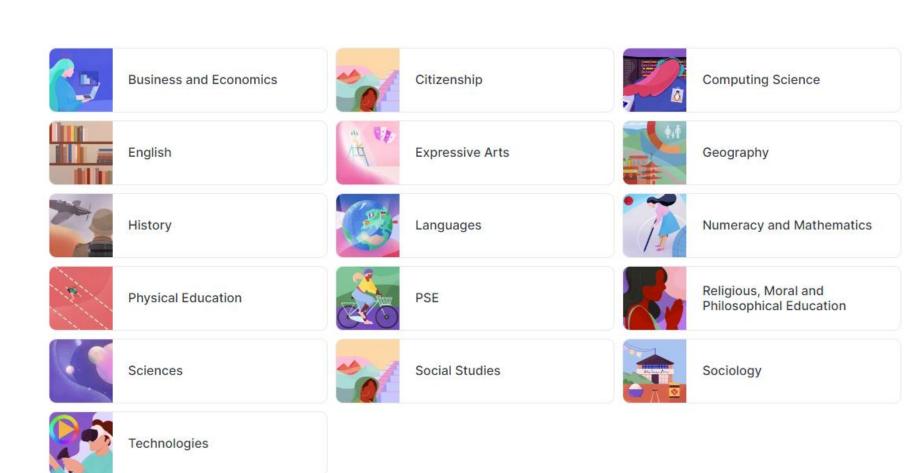
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Modern Languages

The key to progressing is through regular practice. Little and often is the key, so spending 10-15 minutes revising vocabulary 3 or 4 times a week can make a huge difference to how much pupils retain.



- using vocabulary booklets provided on Teams
- use the Languagenut app (see teacher for login details)
- playing Blooket (own free account needed)
- using Duolingo (own free account needed)
- watching films/TV programmes & listening to music in the language





Boroughmuir High School Science Department

Science in S2:

Pupils will have the opportunity to experience topics relating to biology, chemistry and physics. The topics are:

- Light and Radiation
- Chemical Reactions
- Energy Flow and Living Things
- Life Support Skills
- Electricity
- Topical Science





Scottish Curriculum Levels 3 and 4



Resources are shared on Teams

Assessments in Science:

Pupils will complete written assessments at the end of each topic as well as less formal, formative assessment methods throughout the topics

There will be an S2 assessment in December/January which will assess all the topics covered in S1 and so far in S2.

Homework in Science:

Pupils will be given homework to complete every 2 weeks. The focus of this is to improve problem solving skills in the Science context.

This will involve drawing graphs, making tables and extracting information from paragraphs.

English / Literacy – the importance of reading for pleasure

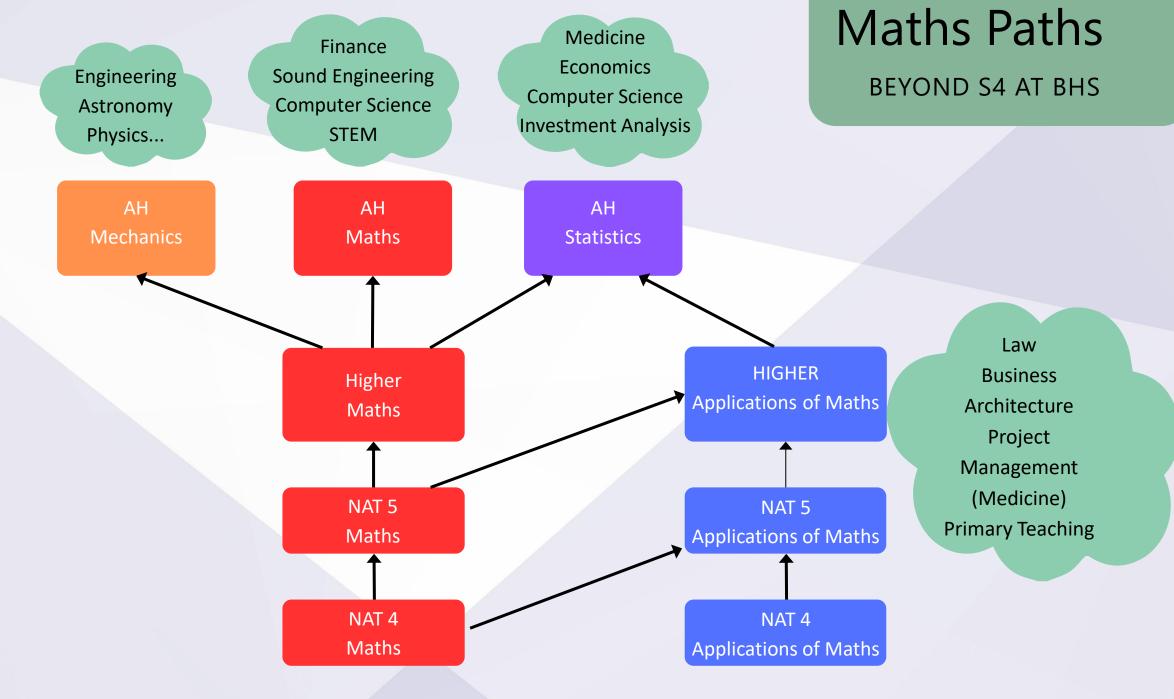


We promote non-fiction reading and reading for pleasure for 10-minutes at the start of every lesson – no pressure, no book lists, no levels or zones of development, with free pupil choice (with guidance and recommendations if they ask, of course) as well as fortnightly visits to the library. Pupils are encouraged to read at home for at least 10-15 minutes on a regular basis - every night if possible. Recent research supports the fact that reading a physical book has more impact than reading online, so we encourage pupils to bring in, or to borrow, print books for their personal reading.

Interested in Touch-typing?
www.doorwayonline.org.uk www.typingclub.com

MATHS OR APPLICATIONS Surds Ratio Indices Probability Numeracy Rounding Brackets & Factorising Tolerance Fractions Substitution Percentages Changing the subject Budgeting Perimeter Volume Area Algebraic Fractions Best Deals Right Angled Trig. Pythagoras Bearings Quadratics & Parabolas Converting Currencies Compound Interest Gradient Similarity Speed, Distance, Time Comparing Data Sets (Averages) Box Plots Vectors Statistical Diagrams Circle laws Standard Deviation Further Trig. Container Packing Scattergraphs Precedence Tables Trig Equations

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

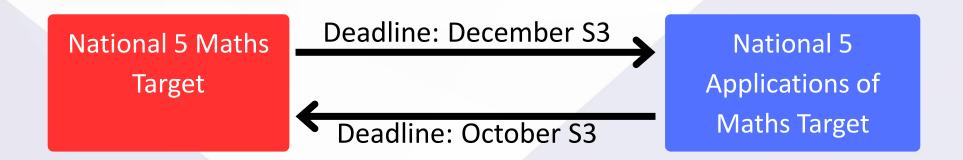


^{*}University and college course requirements differ by institution - and are changing!

Maths Paths

S1-S4 AT BHS

Can I Change My Mind?



School Procedures & Updates

Dress Code

Attendance & Punctuality

Break/Lunch

Water and Toilets

Mobile Phones

Behaviour

Dress Code

Pupils in S1-S6			
Personalisation and choice	All pupils must wear		
	A white shirt.		
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Plain black jumper	A school tie. In S6 pupils are asked to wear the		
Or	S6 tie.		
A school branded hoodie			
And/or	Plain black bottoms with no logo.		
A school blazer			
	Black (black and white if all black is not an		
	option) shoes or trainers.		
Physical Education			



Pupils should bring appropriate clothing for the activity they are working on. Activities can be indoor and outdoor so preparing for the weather is important.

PE clothes should be different from those worn to school. During PE lessons all jewellery must be removed and long hair tied back. We encourage families to send young people in with safety equipment, such as shin pads, for activities such as hockey and football, should they have them. We will try to provide for those who wish to use protective equipment but do not have access to any. This is not compulsory but encouraged.



Attendance & Punctuality

Registration 8.30-8.45am Arrive after 8.45am?

- sign in at Reception
- 15 minute lunchtime detention

Late 3 or more times in a week?

- lunchtime detention

Not in class?

- must not be unsupervised
- Where to go?

Guidance, WBH, Head of Year, Medical Room...

Water

Please bring a full water bottle
Refill at Break and Lunch
Encouraged not to ask out to refill during learning time

Toilets

Encouraged to use toilets before Registration, Break and Lunch.

During class time, use 'Out of Class' QR code



Break and Lunch Queues

early day is Tuesday



Litter

- use bins provided
- recycle
- don't litter

Corridors and Stairs





Our Community....Our Responsibility

Being allowed out of school at Break and Lunch comes with responsibilities. Misbehaviour will lose these privileges.











Mobile Phones and Headphones

Keep in bags

Phones should not be in trousers, hoodies, coats

Never have out in class

Use only before school, break or at lunch

Do not use in-between periods

Do not take to the toilet

Do not wear headphones in class

Phones will be confiscated

Collected at 3.30pm





Messaging & Notifications





Issues arising from messages must not cause issues in the school. This is pupils' responsibility to our community.

You may not be allowed to bring a phone into school or told to

leave with Head of Year.

Set up 'do not disturb' to stop notifications

ParentPay (school Servery)

Keep money on your ParentPay account Set weekly reminders to check





Behaviour & Positive Relationships

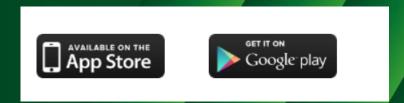
- teachers will ASK, TELL, INTERVENE
- fix and resolve issues
- accept sanctions, listen and explain
- disruption to others, you will be challenged
- behaviour is monitored

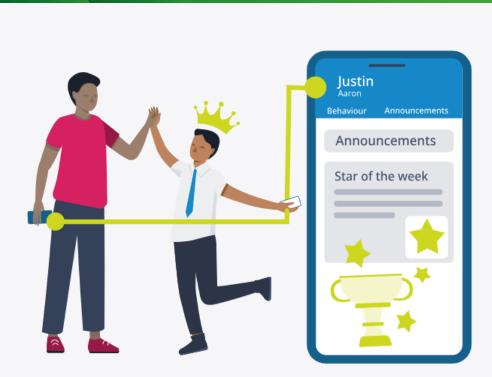


We <u>all</u> aim to have positive relationships. Value this and show respect to everyone.

Class Charts App

- trial launch in 2025-26
- new Communication tool to help us to more quickly and easily share information with parents, pupils and teachers
- App based platform





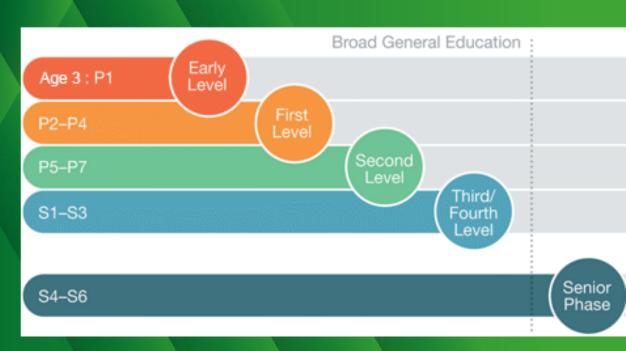
Tracking and Reporting
New City of Edinburgh system
Senior Phase (S4-6) N4,N5,H, AH
BGE (S1-3) Working Levels



4.2 Some or less than half achieved

4.3 Majority of Benchmarks achieved





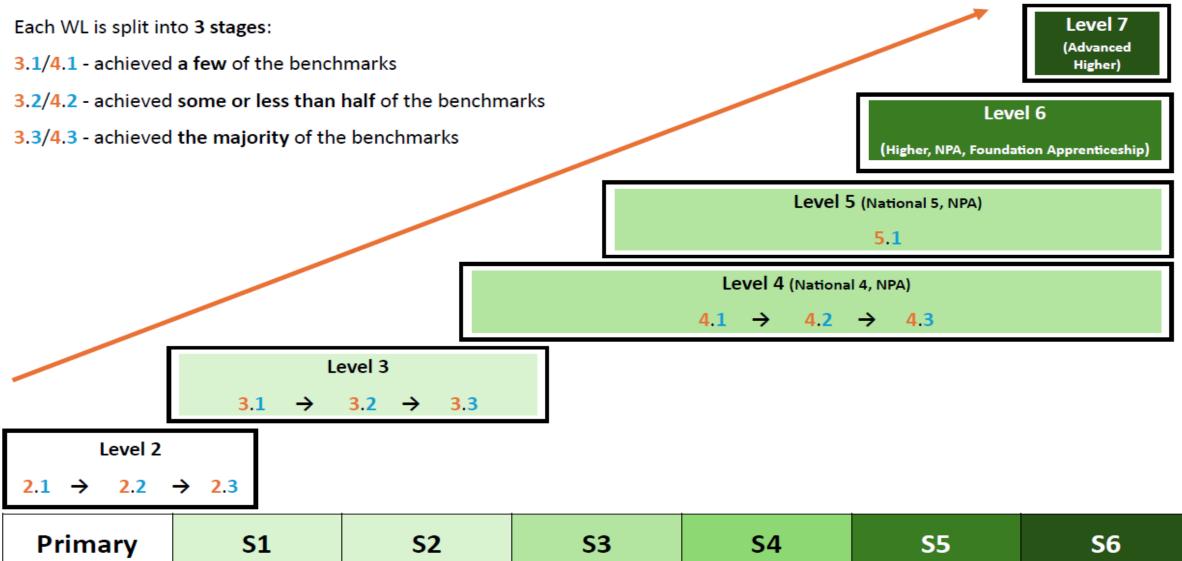
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Working Level Examples

Pupil Tracking

- 3.1 working at 3rd Level and achieved a few of the benchmarks
- 3.3 working at 3rd Level and has achieved the majority of the benchmarks
- 4.2 working at 4th Level and has achieved some or less than half of the benchmarks

Target Level Examples

- 3.2 predicted to achieve some or less than half of the benchmarks at 3rd Level
- 4.1 predicted to achieve 3rd Level
- 4.3 predicted to achieve the majority of the benchmarks
- 5.1 predicted to achieve 4th Level

Tracking Categories

Progress	How well are you performing against national benchmarked standards and decided by the rate of progress made towards your Target Level (S1-3) or Target Grade (S4-6)
Effort	Are you consistently engaged in their learning?
Homework	Is homework completed to expected standards?
	Are you completing the suggested level of independent home-study?
Behaviour	Is your behaviour meeting school expectations?
Next Step for Improvement (NSI)	Used to help you to make improvements

Tracking Level Descriptions



Categories	Level	Progress	Effort	Homework	Behaviour
Exceeding Expectations	1	Exceeding the rate of progress expected and should reach their target at the end of the year	Highly engaged in learning all the time, very conscientious and consistent high levels of effort	Always makes a very good attempt	Behaves very well at all times
Meeting Expectations	2	Should meet their target grade at the end of the academic year	Engaged in learning, completes tasks assigned to appropriate level	Makes a good attempt with all tasks	Behaves well most of the time
Not Yet Meeting Expectations	3	Not currently on track to meet their target grade based on the amount of progress made during the last tracking period	Not always engaged and effort levels are inconsistent	Inconsistent completing homework tasks	Inconsistent behaviour and some improvements required

NSI – Next Steps for Improvement

NSI Key Word & Description		NSI Key Word & Description		NSI Key Word & Description	
Office365	Access online resources more consistently e.g. Teams, OneNote, BBC Bitesize, ClickView etc	Challenge	Challenge yourself to complete tasks or to attempt harder tasks	Organise	Improve organisation of materials
Revise	Regularly review class work (plan this once per week for each subject)	Classwork	Complete classwork to the best of your abilities	Engage	Engage more in class tasks
Feedback	Apply teacher feedback	Respect	Contribute and interact cooperatively with other pupils and teachers	Catch-up	Keep up to date with classwork, especially if you have been absent. Talk to your teacher to get help.
Homework Club	Attend Homework Club to help gain confidence with learning techniques	iPad	Be prepared with a fully charged iPad each day and/or use your iPad appropriately	Effort	Apply your best effort to class and homework
Homework	Complete homework on time or improve the quality of homework	Phone	Keep your phone off in your bag and on silent	Confidence	Have more confidence in your work
Help	Ask for help more regularly, especially before a deadline	Behaviour	Stop interrupting / speaking out of turn	Support	Access Study Support for help improve your organisation skills
Opinions	Support your opinions with reasons	Listen	Listen to instructions carefully	PE Kit	Ensure you have a full change of PE kit
Attendance	Improve punctuality and/or attendance	Strategies	Use your strategies to improve your focus and commitment in class	Deadlines	Ensure you meet hand in deadlines
EAL	EAL: continue to use strategies for acquiring English vocabulary	Planning	Use time management strategies such as calendars, reminders, lists to keep on top of your work	Exam Qu's	Practice exam type questions
SQA	Possible change of Working Level required			Practice	More sustained and regular practice in sport and music

School Support

Counselling Service

Examples of the types of support available:

In-Class
Pupil Support Leaders (PSLs) – Head of Houses
Support for Learning
Wellbeing Hub
Enhanced Support Provision

External Partners – Educational Psychologist

Pupil Support Leaders

Bruntsfield - Mrs Scherczer
Hartington - Miss Grant
Leamington - Miss Nisbet
Montpellier - Mr McIlwaine
Viewforth - Mr Brandie
Westhall - Mrs Wallace

Support for Parents and Carers

- Resources available e.g. Anxiety, Worries, Relaxation
- Raising Teen with Confidence

Support for Learning (SfL)

Mrs Hall, Support for Learning Leader and the team of SfL Teachers and Pupil Support Assistants (PSAs):



The Support for Learning Department aims to develop and support a pupil's learning wherever a need is encountered or any barrier to learning is identified.

Homework Club - every Wednesday school library from 3.35 - 4.30. Support with homework, classwork and revision.

A quiet space for doing homework and you can access library resources and ICT. Refreshments are be provided!!

Pathways

- 1 Majority of needs of pupils met in classroom by teacher.
- 2 Involvement of Support for Learning Staff
- 3- Involvement of outside agencies/SFL staff/Wellbeing Hub/Enhanced Support



S2 – Link SfL teacher Mrs Howden-Glasgow

- Where appropriate PSA support in class
- Targeted support with revision/study skills and homework for identified young people
- Maths Support Thursday Morning Breakfast Club
- ICT Training iPad Accessibility features
- Homework Club Wednesday 3.40pm in the Library
- SFL Support for Assessments
- Attendance at Young Person Planning Meetings
- Update information that is shared with staff re additional support needs
- Assessing young people for literacy difficulties/dyslexia
- Collaborative work with Pupil Support Leaders and outside agencies to support young people's needs

I Just Want To Say...

Pupils can access support at all times through a number of ways for when they're feeling down or worried, or if they are concerned about someone else.

Talk Parents or Carers
Guidance Teacher, Year Heads, Class
Teachers, School Counsellors

Scan Links to the school's 'I Just Want To Say...'
reporting system

Call/Text 07874 202 344











I wanted to say...



If you have something that you want to report or would like someone to talk to you this QR code can help.

You can use the code to report the following issues:

Bullving

Worries about your Health and wellbeing Worries about your friends and classmates Discrimination Careers Advice - Our Careers Advisor is Ms Cara Davidson

Cara.Davidson@sds.co.uk appointments can be made by request through the Pupil Support Leaders or by email.

Skills Development **Scotland**



Careers



Edinburgh Guarantee Bulletin:

Edinburgh Guarantee Opportunities Bulletin 16-06-20

Edinburgh Guarantee Opportunities Bulletin 02-06-20

Edinburgh Guarantee Opportunities Bulletin 28-04-20

Introduction to Career Management Skills Slides

BHS CMS Assemblies

Developing Young Workforce Slides

DYW Slides - Computing and Business

DYW Slides - Drama

DYW Slides - Modern Languages

DYW Slides - Physical Education

The Careers part of the website contains additional information including information as to how our subjects departments are developing skills for the young workforce.

My World of Work is a key source of careers information



A tour of Scotland's online careers service







Skills Development **Scotland**

SDS Service Offer

Year Group	Offer
S1	Group session within PSE
S2	Group session within PSE PLUS 1-2-1 decision making
S3	Group session within PSE
S4	Group session within PSE. Compulsory 1-2-1 for leavers, 1-2-1 requests through guidance. Drop-in sessions

Raising Teens with Confidence

Promoting Mental & Emotional Wellbeing

6 week course for parents and carers of teens

Ideas to help with:

- increasing independence
- developing confidence, security and resilience
- promoting emotional wellbeing

Raising Teens with Confidence

Promoting Mental & Emotional Wellbeing





Help S1-S6 pupils connect with professionals.

3 events a year in Sept, Feb/Mar and June 5 speakers from a range of fields

Ask questions in a small group setting, information to make subject choice easier



Useful Parent/Carer Resources

JUSTUS ET TENAX

Research/Support

- My Kids Career <u>www.mykidscareer.com/</u>
- My World of Work www.myworldofwork.co.uk/parents
- DYW E resources www.dyw.scot/edyw.html
- Digital World www.digitalworld.net/
- Articulation Routes
 www.pathways.ac.uk

Opportunities

- Apprenticeship.Scot
 www.apprenticeships.scot/
- The Guarantee
 www.theguarantee.org/
- SDS Edinburgh Facebook
 www.facebook.com/SDSEdinburgh/



Extra-Curricular Activity at B

Sports:

Various sports clubs and teams e.g. hockey, football, rugby, Table Tennis, Netball, Basketball, Ski Race, Volleyball, American Football, Running



Clubs & Societies:

Anti-Racism (IYS), HWB, Chess, Climate Change, STEM, Eco, Science, GSA, Chess, SU, Equalities, Pupil Voice, Debating, Music (Choir, Wind, Strings, Bagpipes), Medics, Film, Drama, Art, Languages, Creative Writing & Makar, Games, Enigma, Computing, Wargames, Board Games, Gardening, Christmas Carol





SECONDARY SCHOOL NEWSPAPER AWARD

THE BOROUGHMUIR CHRONICLE BOROUGHMUIR HIGH SCHOOL



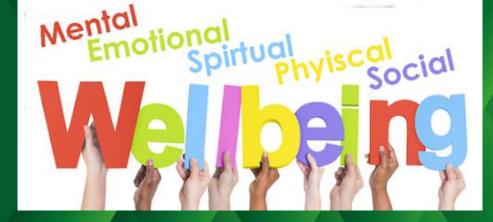
The Boroughmuir Chronicle (recently renamed from The Boroughmuir Thistle) has something for everyone, from wordsearches and recipes to LGBT+ newsletters and biographies for International Women's Day. We were very impressed to see this hard-hitting journalism alongside fun and creative segments. The editorial team clearly think about what their audience will enjoy. The newspaper is a big school effort, with even the school caretaker writing a column as Neil the Janitor in each issue! A very impressive achievement by the whole team congratulations to you all!











Tuesday 23 rd June	Wed 24th June	Thurs 25th June		
Humanutopia Bruntsfield	Hermitage of Braid IDL Bruntsfield	Activity Day		
Leamington	Leamington	In and out of school		
Hartington Hermitage of Braid IDL	Hartington Humanutopia	activities (various locations)		
Montpelier Viewforth	Montpelier Viewforth			
Westhall	Westhall			

Hermitage of Braid





Wellbeing: Humanutopia

JUSTUS ET TENAX

- 1. Humanutopia Day building relationships between students
- 2. S5 'Heroes' trained to mentor and support younger pupils
- 3. 'I just want to say'... QR alert

Bin-filling Stop and think.



You can't see the damage, but it ruins lives.





Key S2 Dates

October – Tracking 1 3rd November (Mon) – S2 Parents' Evening January – Tracking 2 including comments 29th January (Thurs) – Course Choice Information Evening / Subject MarketPlace Feb Holidays – S3 course choices due May – Tracking 3

