Winchburgh Academy

S3 Curriculum Information Evening

24th January 2024

Our Academy Vision

To be a school community that is sector leading in providing excellent experiences, opportunities and outcomes for all young people - united in the joy of learning, collaboration and improvement to build healthy and successful futures

First Year - Session 2022-23

English (3)	Social Subjects (2)	Languages (2)	Maths (3)	Science (2)	P.E (3)	PSHE (1)	PSR (1)
Art (2)	Music (2)	CDT (2)	HFT (2)	Flexible Learning (2)	My Academy (2)	Maths & Science Collab. (2)	English & Social Subjects Collab. (2)

Second Year - Session 2023-24

English (4)	Social Subjects (3)	Languages (1)	Maths (4)	Science (3)	P.E (3)	PSHE (1)
Art (2)	Music (2)	CDT (2)	Drama (1)	Flexible Learning (2)	My Academy (2)	IDL (2)

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Winchburgh Curriculum Design Group

Curriculum Design Group

Established in May 2022 and consists of the following partners:

- **Education Scotland Curriculum Innovation Team** - Andy Creamer & Leigh Watson (with regular advice from Joan MacKay)
- **Education Scotland Expressive Arts Lead**- Neil Millar
- **Education Scotland Health & Well-being**- Tracy Johnston
- **Parent Council**- Lee Sillars (Vice Chair of Winchburgh Parent Council)
- **SDS** - Emma Mathews
- **West Lothian College**
- **Winchburgh Primary School** - SLT
- **Other WLC Secondary Reps**- Caroline Bleach (BGE MFIYL Chair and DHT), Keith Varty (DHT)
- **Winchburgh Academy Staff** - J Mitchell (HT), C Kerr (DHT Curriculum) and K Borthwick (PT)
- **Sinclair Academy Staff**- G Burns (HT)

The 8 Curricular Areas

1) Expressive Arts *(Art & Design, Dance, Music, Drama)*

2) Health & Wellbeing *(P.E & PSHE)*

3) Languages *(English & Modern Languages)*

4) Mathematics

5) Science

6) Social Studies *(History, Modern Studies, Geography & Business Studies)*

7) Technologies *(CDT, HFT, Computing/ICT)*

8) Religious & Moral Education

S3 Personalisation Process

Date	Event
November 2023	S2 Student Assembly
December 2023	S2 Consultation Workshop
Monday 15th January 2024	Parent Consultation Workshop
Wednesday 24th January 2024	S3 Curriculum Information Evening
Monday 26th February 2024	S3 Personalisation Prospectus Booklet Publishesd/Shared
Feb – March 2024	S3 Personalisation PSE Programme (including ongoing year group assemblies) supported by SDS
Tuesday 26th March 2024	S2 Tracking updates to parents
Monday 15th April 2024	S2 students issued with S3 Personalisation Form during PSR (to be completed at home with parents/carers and returned to PSR teacher by Thursday 18th April
Thursday 18th & Friday 19th April 2024	S2 Personalisation Interviews: - 1:1 with PSR Teacher supported by PT PS (Mrs Oliver) and SLT (Mr. Kerr & Mr. Mitchell) - Information to support appropriate pathways including tracking data, CAT, SNSA

S3 Curriculum

➤ English *(200 minutes)*

➤ Maths *(200 minutes)*

➤ PE *(100 minutes)*

➤ Flexible Learning incorporating PSHE, RME, IDL & context specific experiences *(100 minutes)*

➤ My Academy including DoE option *(100 minutes)*

➤ 6 option choices *(150 minutes each)*

S3 Curriculum Personalisation Form

Name: _P Sturrock_

PSR Class: _2.3_

This form will be used to indicate your subject personalisation preferences for moving into S3. All pupils will have the following courses on their timetable, in addition to the curricular area personalisation selected below; English (200 mins), Maths (200 mins), Core PE (100 mins) and Flexible learning (100 mins, incorporating PSHE, IDL and context specific experiences). **Pupils must choose a first & second choice from each column below. In each column, enter '1' in the box to indicate the first choice, and '2' for the second preference.**

Note: The viability of courses in S3 will depend on uptake and staffing. This applies to course progression from S3 into the Senior Phase (S4-6)

Science (150 minutes)		Social Subjects (150 minutes)		Technologies (150 minutes)		Expressive Arts (150 minutes)		Additional Choice 1 (150 minutes)		Additional Choice 2 (150 minutes)		My Academy (100 minutes)	
Biology	1	Business		Computing		Art & Design		Art & Design	2	Art & Design		D.o.E	1
Chemistry		Geography		CDT	1	Drama		Biology		Biology		TBC	2
Physics	2	History	2	HFT	2	Music	2	Business		Business		TBC	
		Modern Studies	1			PE	1	CDT		CDT		TBC	
								Chemistry		Chemistry			
								Computing		Computing			
								Geography		Geography			
								HFT	1	HFT			
								History		History	1		
								Modern Studies		Modern Studies			
								Music		Music			
								Physics		Physics			
								PE		PE			
								Spanish		Spanish	2		

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National 5 2023
National Results

Qualification Name	Resulted Entries % of Base Cohort	% Grade A	% Grades A to B	% Grades A to C	% No Award
Administration and IT	7.74	34.38	61.18	82.4	6.5
Applications of Mathematics	22.89	29.95	48.82	66.62	18.05
Art and Design	15.57	42.67	73.5	92.6	1.82
Biology	31.54	36.22	58.03	75.73	11.16
Business Management	13.98	35.9	59.1	79.59	7.93
Chemistry	22.88	41.67	62.71	77.83	10.04
Computing Science	9.88	42.44	62.42	79.46	9.54
Design and Manufacture	6.22	22.6	49.52	77.03	7.24
Drama	6.97	53.34	77.83	91.68	2.36
English	71.18	41.83	70.07	88.48	3.75
Geography	15.12	34.44	56.28	76.13	9.5
Graphics	7.73	30.32	54.9	76.3	9.16
History	24.6	42.43	65.54	81.41	8.06
Mathematics	44.74	33.82	52.41	69.74	15.07
Modern Studies	20.63	33.49	56.15	75.4	12.33
Music	11.57	61.68	83.2	93.28	2.12
Physical Education	32.32	55.16	82.09	95.26	0.97
Physics	18.55	35.17	55.86	72.1	13.14
Practical Woodworking	10.87	46.35	69.91	87.85	6.29
Spanish	8.52	52.28	70	85.78	5.43

Higher 2023
National Results

Qualification Name	Resulted Entries % of Base Cohort	% Grade A	% Grades A to B	% Grades A to C	% No Award
Administration and IT	5.29	32.4	60.03	79.57	7.43
Applications of Mathematics	1.99	24.37	47.06	72.81	9.21
Art and Design	6.91	18.29	48.38	81.44	3.03
Biology	7.78	30.58	53.57	72.92	11.53
Business Management	9.74	34.49	56.95	75.86	11.67
Chemistry	10.67	29.5	53.54	75.61	9.04
Computing Science	3.96	32.98	50.82	67.09	17.5
Design and Manufacture	2.4	11.09	27.75	52.42	19.1
Drama	2.95	24.37	56.25	82.35	5.32
English	40.27	24.9	51.09	74.58	9.04
Geography	8.46	37.47	58.64	76.2	10.94
Graphic Communication	3.73	14.92	42.72	73.44	7.49
Health and Food Technology	1.67	11.79	34.1	61.72	15.67
History	11.79	34.01	59.8	77.02	12.76
Mathematics	20.69	35.73	56.26	71.17	17.27
Modern Studies	11.82	38.18	58.68	75.96	12.74
Music	5.82	49.96	79.67	92.9	1.99
Physical Education	13.65	31.84	62.44	87.36	3.39
Physics	8.87	31.77	56.35	75.72	10.74
Spanish	2.75	46.6	65.56	81.58	8.35

Other Information/FAQs

When will my child see their S3 timetable?
Although they will not begin their S3 timetable until the first day back in the new session (August 2024), students will be issued with their S3 timetable in June prior to the summer holidays.

When will the new timetable start?
At the beginning of the new session in August 2024.

What happens in the event of my child not being able to access all their first choice subjects?
A relevant member of staff will arrange a discussion with your child and be in contact with you at the earliest opportunity to discuss further with you.

When filling in the personalisation form, can I choose the same subject as a number 1 choice in more than one column?
No as we are aspiring to provide you with your first choice in each column as far as possible.

If Physics (for example) is my 2nd choice in the Science column can I choose it as a 1st choice in one of the additional choice columns?
Yes you can.

When will I know what the final options are for My Academy in addition to Duke of Edinburgh?
Following further consultation, this will be shared with students and parents/carers prior to students confirming their choices.

If my child decides after S3 that they want to study a subject they haven't done in S3, are they able to do this?
Yes, courses are designed to support this as much as possible.

How many subjects is my child likely to study in S4 (Senior Phase – National Qualifications)?
Whilst we are still in the early stages of designing/consulting on our senior phase curriculum, most schools study 7 subjects in S4.

If my child and I feel that we need some additional support/guidance to choose courses, can I contact someone at the school?
Yes, of course. Please contact your child's PSR teacher. Mrs. Oliver will be in contact with some parents/carers in the first instance as appropriate to arrange a meeting or a discussion to complete the personalisation form together.

Duke of Edinburgh Award

A PARENT AND CARER'S GUIDE TO THE DofE AWARD

What is the DofE?

The DofE is a life-changing adventure for young people aged 14-24

It helps young people develop skills for their future life and work

DofE SCOTLAND

YOUTH WITHOUT LIMITS

Introducing the DofE

What is involved?

BRONZE AWARD

VOLUNTEERING	PHYSICAL	SKILLS	EXPEDITION
3 months	**3** months	**3** months	2 days 1 night

Plus a further 3 months in either the Volunteering, Physical or Skills section.

SILVER AWARD

VOLUNTEERING	PHYSICAL	SKILLS	EXPEDITION
6 months	**6** OR **3** months	**6** OR **3** months	3 days 2 nights

Physical and Skills sections: one section for 6 months and the other section for 3 months

If you didn't do BRONZE, you must do a further 6 months in either the Volunteering or the longer of the Physical or Skills sections.

GOLD AWARD

VOLUNTEERING	PHYSICAL	SKILLS	EXPEDITION	RESIDENTIAL
12 months	**12** OR **6** months	**12** OR **6** months	4 days 3 nights	5 days 4 nights

Physical and Skills sections: one section for 12 months and the other section for 6 months

If you didn't do SILVER, you must do a further 6 months in either the Volunteering or the longer of the Physical or Skills sections.

Volunteering section

Helping others and making a difference to the causes they care about

Physical section

Improving their health and fitness and having fun along the way!

Skills section

Developing existing skills or discovering new things to love

Expedition

Spending time in the great outdoors and creating lifelong memories

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Residential (Gold Award only)

Five days and four nights away from home

Sharing experiences and creating new connections

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Your role

Guidance

Encouragement

Practical support

Recognising achievement

Your Welcome Pack and eDofE
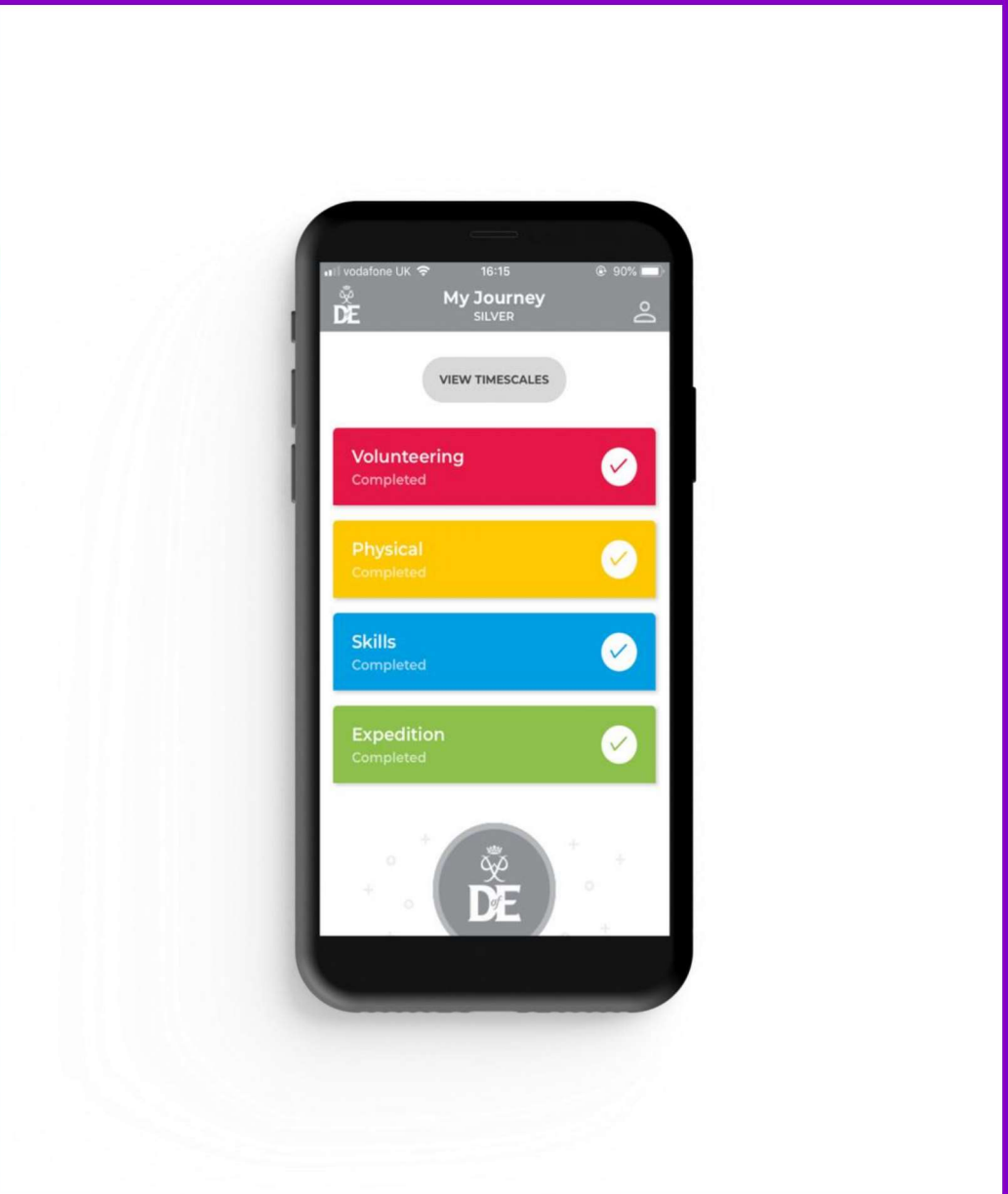
Are you ready to support your child/young person to start an adventure they'll never forget?

**For more info/support speak to Mr Kerr
or contact DofE Scotland.**

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Skills Development Scotland (SDS)

Support and conversations we may have in school

SDS careers advisers might speak to your young person about:

Finding out about their self, strengths and skills

Making decisions such as option choices

Different types of careers and how to research

Developing the types of skills that are useful in a job

Routes into careers including apprenticeships

Building and developing networks

Help with creating CVs

Making applications and applying for courses

Introduction to career management skills

The changing world of work

Skilled for the future

Meta-skills

Foundation Apprenticeships

Modern Apprenticeships

Graduate Apprenticeships

Foundation Apprenticeships

Skills Development Scotland

Foundation Apprenticeship

Still at school?

Gain an industry-recognised qualification and set yourself up for a big future.

How can you support your young person?

Talk through all their options

Explore the information and tools on My World of Work together

Encourage them to talk about what they are good at and enjoy

Reassure them

We are here to help you both

Thank you