The subject choices you made at the beginning of S2 will continue to be studied until the end of S3. This is when you make choices for the ‘Senior Phase’ of your education. However, at the end of S2 you are able to personalise some of your options again.

There are different options open to you and you should spend time speaking to your parents, your Pupil Support Teacher and classroom teachers before deciding what you want to do.

At the start of S2, the vast majority of pupils began studying either 2 or 3 sciences.

As a school, we would like to encourage all pupils to continue studying their science choices in S3. This means you will have a wider range of options open to you when you decide your ‘Senior Phase’ subjects at the end of S3.

However, if you wish you can now drop one of your science subjects and pick up a new subject/course in S3. So you now have a Science choice to make!

Option 1: Make no change to your science options and continue studying them in S3

Option 2: decide to drop one of your science options and instead choose a new subject/course from the list below.

The subject/courses available to you if you decide to drop a science are:

- Skills for Work (Business Enterprise)
- PE (Creative and Aesthetic)
- Art and Design (Architecture)
- ICT (Digital Media)
At the start of S2, the vast majority of pupils began studying Spanish. This was in addition
to French, which you have been studying since Primary School.

As a school, we would like to encourage all pupils to continue studying two languages in
S3. This means you will have a wider range of options open to you when you decide your
‘Senior Phase’ subjects at the end of S3 but we also believe it is a very useful skill for
future life! So you now have a Languages choice to make!

Option 1: Continue studying both French and Spanish for another year.

Option 2: Continue studying French for another year and drop Spanish. This allows you
to pick up another subject for S3 from the list below.

Option 3: Continue studying Spanish for another year and drop French. This allows you
to pick up another subject for S3 from the list below.

If you decide to choose option 2 or option 3 you will study this language for 2 periods
per week during S3. For the other 2 periods you must choose another subject/course.

The subject/courses available to you if you decide to drop a language are:

- Skills for Work (Business Enterprise)
- Sports Development
- Animation
- ICT (Apps and Games Development)
- Music (Recording Label)
The Animation course is designed to offer students the chance to develop their story telling skills using computer technology in film making and animation, and develop an awareness of the creative process.

The course includes the following:

- Graphic Design
- 2D/3D Computer Animation,
- Digital Video/Audio for Artists and Designers
- Film Studies
- Technical Direction
- Techniques in Stop-Frame animation
- Character Design
- Life Drawing.

The Architecture course aims to foster greater awareness among younger students regarding the requirements of an architectural career, as well as develop the fundamental skills necessary for the study of design.

The course takes the form of an exciting multidisciplinary activity that combines design creativity, historical perspective, technical skills, social responsibility, and global and environmental issues.

Primarily a hands-on experience, students will focus on the following:

- The basic elements of design.
- Free-hand drawing
- Model building.
- Problem-solving.
- The relationships of culture to the forms, shapes, and structures it expresses in architectural designs.

These skills will then be utilised to complete a final "real-world" design project.
**ICT (Apps and Games Development)**

*Can be taken ONLY if dropping a Modern Language*

Computer games and smartphone apps are being used increasingly for leisure, in education and work-based training, with players interacting via personal computers, consoles, PDAs, mobile devices and web browsers.

This course examines the way in which computer gaming and apps development is a growing industry, with Scotland one of the global leaders.

Skills developed include:

- Planning and development of basic apps and games
- Exploring different programming methods
- Creating media files e.g. audio and video
- Working with others

You will be given a project to bring together all the skills that you have learnt throughout the year.

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**ICT (Digital Media)**

*Can be taken ONLY if dropping a Science*

Digital media is a huge and developing industry that involves many different sectors such as TV, Radio, Music, Photography, Web Design, Animation - the list goes on.

This course will allow you to become creative even if you think you aren't!

Skills developed throughout the year include:

- Creating and editing:
  - audio
  - video
  - animation
  - images
  - multimedia presentations

- Podcasting

Working with others
The Music (Recording Label) course aims to foster a greater understanding of the Music business.

The course gives pupils the opportunity to run their own recording label and develop skills in Music Technology, Performing and PR.

The course includes the following:

- Sound recording
- Mixing
- Sampling
- Uploading files to the web
- Performing (solo or group)
- Composing
- Marketing
- PR
- Blogging
- Design

PE (Creative and Aesthetic) course offers pupils the opportunity to develop skills and abilities in a variety of activities.

Pupils will develop an understanding of choreography and design and will work individually and with others to create their own performances.

Throughout the course pupils will gain an understanding of the physical requirements to participate successfully in selected activities and gather information on their performance in these.

The course includes the following:

- Dance
- Gymnastics
- Trampolining
The PE Department are offering S3 pupils the opportunity to develop their practical skills in a range of activities.

Pupils will increase their knowledge and understanding of coaching, gain experience of assisting and leading at festivals as well as planning and organising sporting events.

In addition, pupils will also be given the opportunity to acquire an insight into selected professions within the sporting industry and experience some of these first hand.

Skills for Work – Business Enterprise

The Skills for Work – Business Enterprise course gives pupils the opportunity to identify and develop the skills that are needed to work successfully in a modern business environment including skills for financial management, customer service skills and employability skills.

The course includes the following:

- Cash Flow Management
- Budgeting
- Personal Communication Skills
- Team Work
- Leadership