

Higher Options

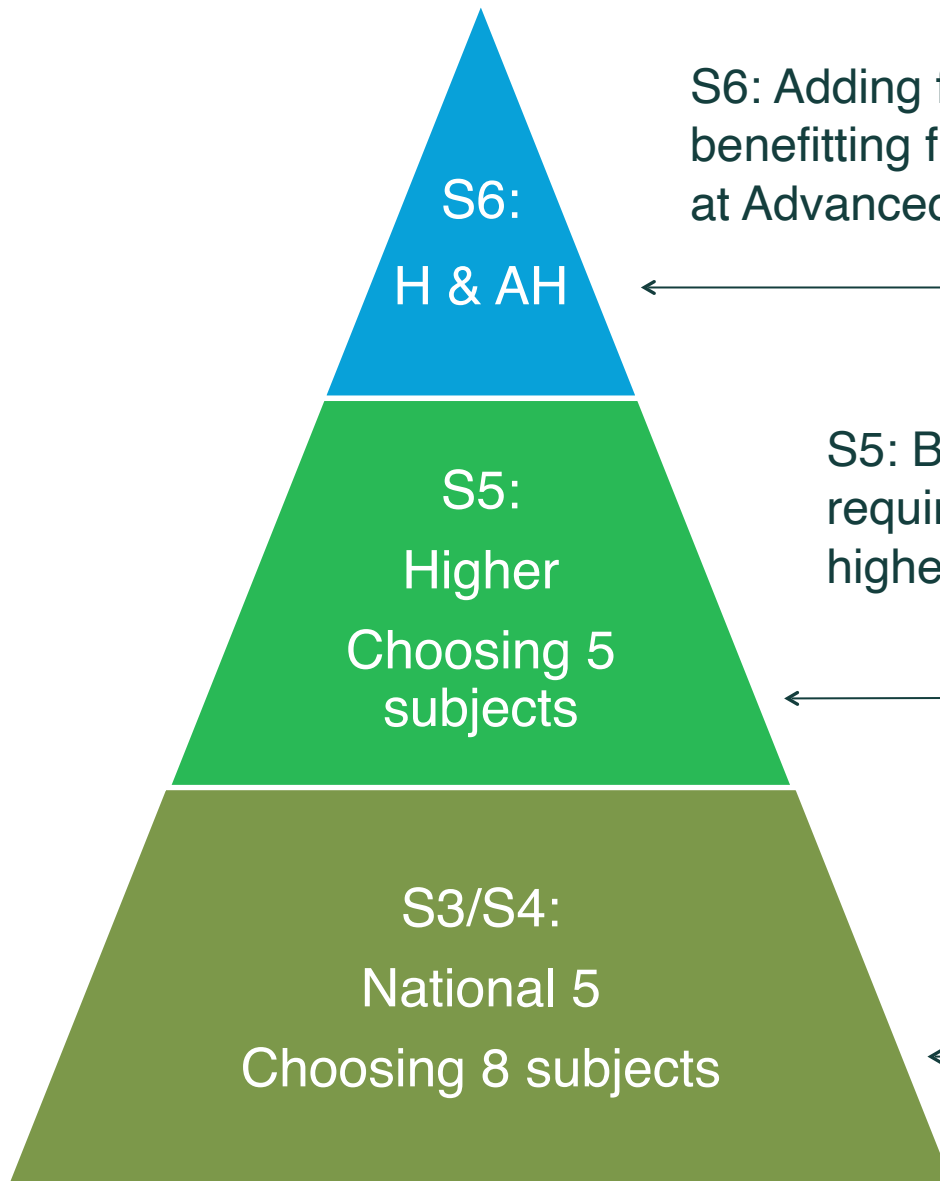
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S6:
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S6: Adding further Higher qualifications and/or benefitting from the learning experience studying at Advanced Higher level offers.

S5:
Higher
Choosing 5
subjects

S5: Beginning to focus in on specific requirements for progression to further/ higher education or the world of work.

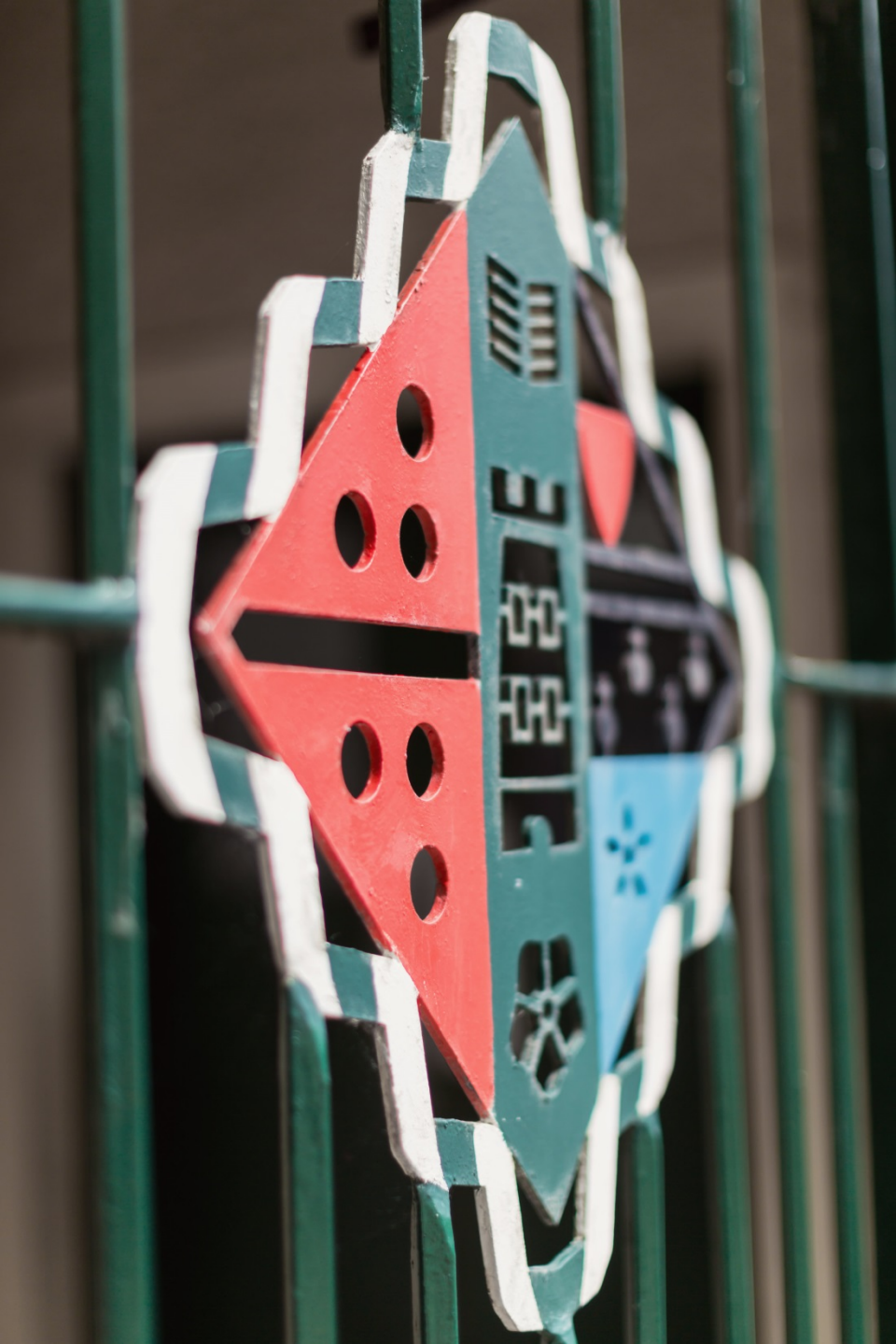
S3/S4:
National 5
Choosing 8 subjects

S3/4: Allows a wide selection of subject choices. It is wise to select a broad curriculum at this stage.



Senior 5: The “Two Term Dash”

- Expectations for homework
- Coursework/Assignments
- Keep up-to-date (pupil responsibility for missed work)
- Be aware and vigilant of deadlines set.
- Take advantage of the support we offer



Making The Best Choices

There are three important considerations:

1. Which career or college/ university course do I have in mind?
2. Do I need to study a specific subject(s) to fulfil any particular entrance requirements?
3. Which subjects will maximise my chances of obtaining the best possible grades?

SENIOR SCHOOL

> The Senior School	
Transition	+
Examinations	+
> Departments	
S6 & Beyond School	+
> Support for Learning	

Curriculum

Higher and Advanced Higher

A primary aim of the sixth year at Senior School is to maintain and further develop pupils' academic performance. As such, they are required to study a combination of three Higher and Advanced Higher courses. Pupils are encouraged to embrace a new subject and open their horizons. In recent years, Psychology has proved popular and for session 2016–17 Higher PE has been introduced.

Independent study is a crucial skill and serves as invaluable preparation for university or college, therefore, additional study equalling the number of teacher–contact periods is encouraged in S6. In the past, pupils have also been permitted to study at the University of Glasgow Library.

The UCAS “Widget”



UCAS

Want to go to university?

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IMPORTANT DATE! UCAS Evening, June of each year



Preparing for Higher Education

Researching institutions:

- [ucas.com](https://www.ucas.com)
- [thecompleteuniversityguide.co.uk](https://www.thecompleteuniversityguide.co.uk)
- [university.which.co.uk](https://www.university.which.co.uk)
- [theguardian.com/education/](https://www.theguardian.com/education/) Universityguide

Researching specific career pathways, some examples:

- [themedicportal.com](https://www.themedicportal.com)
- [lawscot.org.uk](https://www.lawscot.org.uk)



Work Experience in S5

- Focus on academic achievement first and foremost
- Add value with appropriate careers related placement
- Volunteering may also be an appropriate avenue to explore
- Use school holidays wherever possible
- “Self-found” placements
- Speak with school staff for advice/assistance with finding a placement



S5 Options

Students typically choose 4 or 5 Higher subjects. This may vary based on specific circumstances. From experience, almost all students have progressed to Higher English and most to Higher Mathematics, which leaves up to 3 choices from:

Accounting, Art and Design, Biology, Business Management, Chemistry, Classical Studies, Computing Science, French, Geography, German, History, Latin, PE, Physics, Modern Studies, Music, Music Technology & Spanish

HIGHER OPTION SHEET – SESSION 2021/2022

WELLINGTON SCHOOL, AYR

Select one subject from each column, with a maximum of 5 choices -

	Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6
HIGHER	English	H Maths	Chemistry	Chemistry	Physics	Biology
		N5 Maths	Geography	French	Business Management	Spanish
		Classical Studies	Modern Studies	Biology		Music
			Music Technology	Latin	Art and Design	Physical Education
				History	German	Accounting
				Computing Science		

NAME OF PUPIL (Block capitals)_____ FORM CLASS _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE _____



What Next?

Complete your option choice form and return to gjohnston@wellingtonschool.org
By **15th February 2021.**

If you would like an appointment to discuss your options choices, contact

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Either member of staff will coordinate appointments.