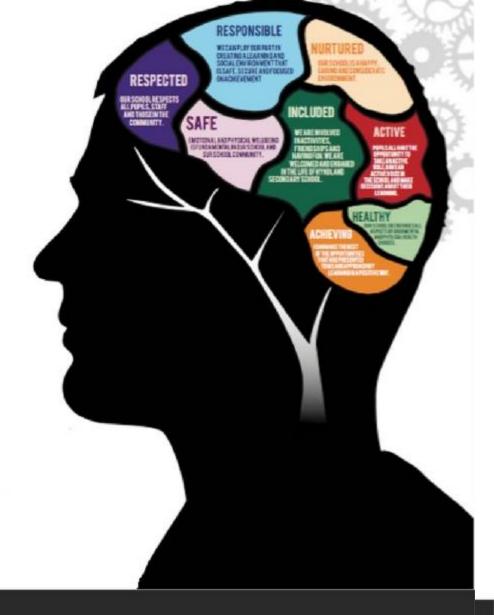


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"I think " said the horse "you are doing better than "you think."

Home Learning



Engagement

- Firstly well done! Around 90% engagement in online lessons which is brilliant!
- We have been hugely impressed with the levels of engagement with our S5 students. Please ensure that this level of engagement continues!
- Those who haven't been as engaged will be called this week to alert your parents/carers to this.

Home Learning



Engagement

- Please remember EVERYTHING you are doing just now will help to shape your teacher's SQA estimate so it is VITAL that you are trying your very BEST and COMPLETING and SUBMITTING all work set.
- Turn up to all online lessons and contribute through the team chats for your subjects.

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<u>timetable</u>	Thursday	HIGH		Registration School	Engineering Science HIGH Mr Cumming	HIGH Mr Cumming	Mathematics HIGH Mr Ryan L029x357	Mathematics HIGH Mr Ryan L029x357	
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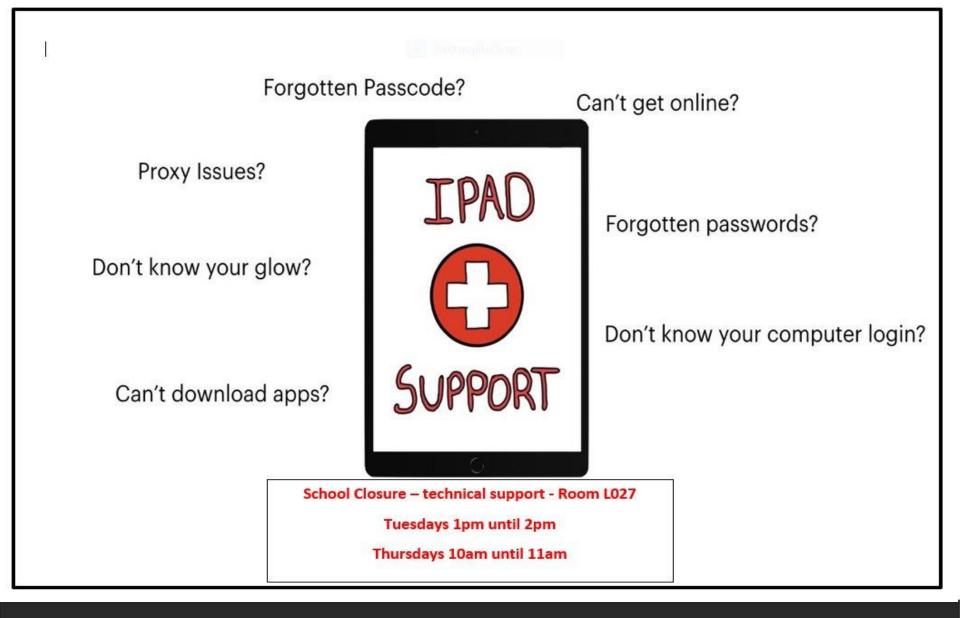
To help with your routines – try your very best to follow your timetable – remember you may have online lessons during 'normal' class times so you can't miss these!

Technical & ICT



Support – iPads

- We realise there have been some glitches with Teams and Glow – hopefully these will start to settle down as we continue with online learning.
- If you do need technical support, Mr Gillies is running drop in sessions for you to attend each Tuesday and Thursday – pop in with your school iPad for help then.



Should I still be studying for my



prelims and assessments?

- The short answer is YES!
- We would suggest you use school hours to work on school class work
- At night and weekends, you should still be trying to build in some time to study – remember if you were at school you would be doing this!
- There are lots of useful study tips on our school website!
- As soon as we know when we will be able to hold these we will tell you, but please bear in mind, you may not get a lot of notice which is why constant preparation at present is the key to success.

I am struggling



Who should I speak to?

- It is perfectly understandable to feel a bit anxious just now about things – most of us are probably experiencing this at some point during the lockdowns.
- Email your Pastoral Care teacher on glow they can arrange to call you or speak to House DHT.
- Lifelink Counselling Service has resumed if you wish to access this speak to Pastoral Care.

Asking for help isn't giving "p." Said the horse 15 M A "It's refusing to give up"



Introduction to the S5 into S6 Options Process Mrs Pollock

Supporting you



With course options

- 5L Lomond House
- 5R1 Rannoch House
- 5R2 Rannoch House
- 5K Katrine House
- 5T1 Torridon House
- 5T2 Torridon House

Mrs Pollock Mrs Mills Mrs Mills Mr Squire Mr Carstairs Mr Carstairs







• Interim Reports – October 2020

• Self Evaluation - Strengths/Areas for Development

On-going learner Conversations with subject teachers

Next steps in the



options process

- Course Choice Booklet will be issued electronically in next 2 weeks.
- Detailed Subject/Course information
- Research Planitplus, My World of Work, UCAS...
- Conversation with Pastoral Care Teacher
- On-line Options Information Event for students and families to 'attend'.

What should my S6



experience look like?

- It is vital that you 'add value' to your qualifications in S6.
- Reflect on what qualifications you already have
- Consider what you would like to do when you leave school
- Research what qualifications you need to achieve your goal
- Play to your strengths in order to secure the best results.

Research is key to



getting it right in S6

- This is your last chance to secure qualifications at school – therefore researching entry requirements NOW is essential.
- Check with Colleges, Universities, Training Providers, etc. to <u>see if particular subjects are required</u> for courses/opportunities you might be interested in.
- Speak to Vanessa Kokota if you are unsure and want some advice too!

Some important



points to consider

- Maths have you achieved your National 5 in Maths this is required for almost all University courses and many college courses. If you have, great, if not, you may have to consider selecting this in S6.
- Advanced Highers a number of universities do not 'double count' Higher and Advanced Higher subjects so do your research with each university first before selecting Advanced Higher courses.

Some more important



points to consider

- In S6 each learner must select a minimum of 4 courses (4 columns in the option for MUST be completed).
 Some learners, depending on their qualifications secured in S5, will have to select 5.
- Highers are often preferred by Universities over Advanced Highers so again do your research!
- College courses are available Mr Mullin will provide more information on this soon.

Some more important



points to consider

- Remember in S6 you can 'crash' new courses.
- However we would recommend you think carefully when doing this think about your strengths/similar subjects that you are doing well in at present in S5.
- Think about other subjects you did in S4 and secured a pass in N5 – try to pick these up at Higher level as this will help strengthen your chance of success as you have an understanding in these subjects.

What happens



next for S5?

- We will be posting a series of short presentations made by Principal Teachers for you to listen to about what subjects their department has to offer in S6.
- You will then be asked to complete a glow form to select which subjects you wish to pick for S6.
- You MUST do this carefully as this is what we will be base our timetable on – this is not a 'practice' option form which can then be changed significantly!



If you have any questions at all, please speak to your Pastoral Care Teacher, but more information will follow soon!