

Pathways Evening

Keith Grammar School



Ambition

Excellence

Respect

Success



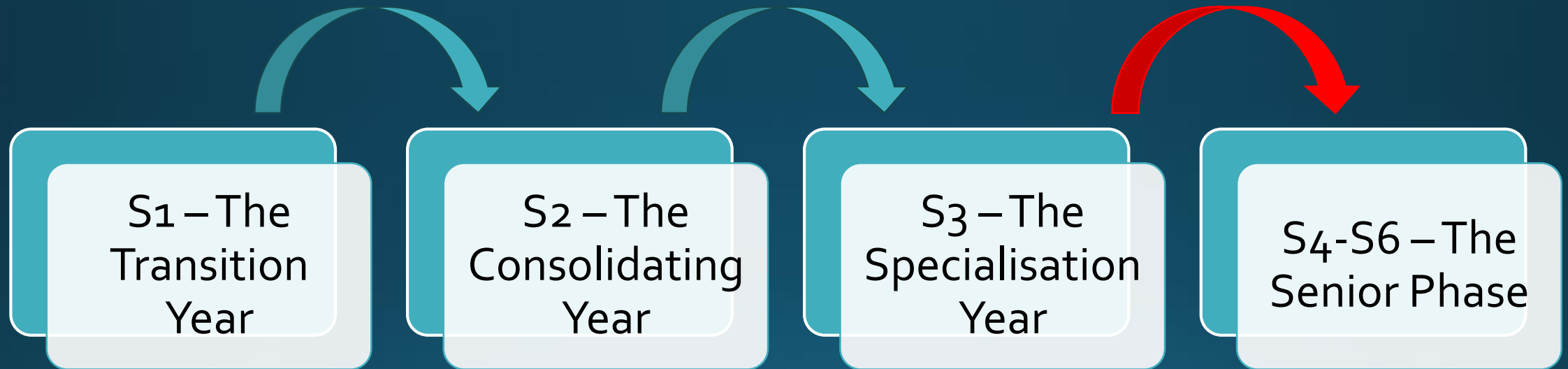
Pathways Evening Overview



- ✓ Curriculum 2026-2027
- ✓ Curriculum Diversity
- ✓ Course Choice Process
- ✓ Pathways Support



The Broad General Education into Senior Phase





Curriculum Structure



S2 Curriculum

S3 Curriculum

Maths

English

Choice 1

Choice 2

Choice 3

Choice 4

Choice 5

Choice 6

Core:
PSE, RME, Culture
& Citizenship, PE



Curriculum Structure



S₃ Curriculum

Choice 1

Choice 2

Choice 3

Choice 4

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Choice 6

S₄ Curriculum

Maths English

Choice 1

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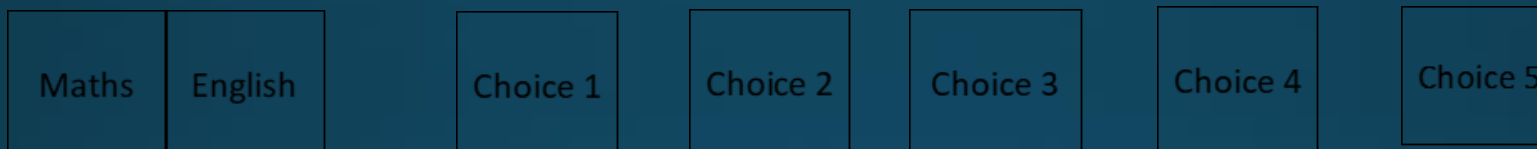
Core:
PSE & PE



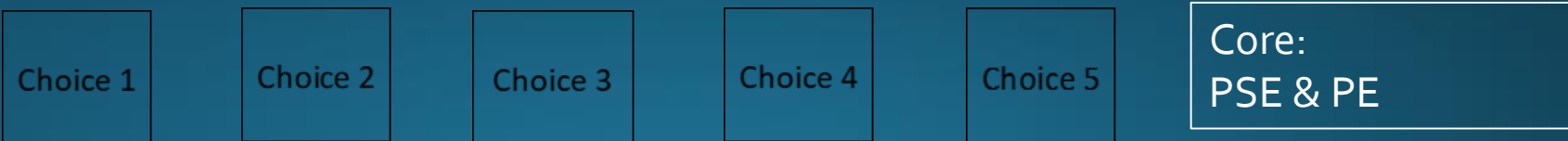
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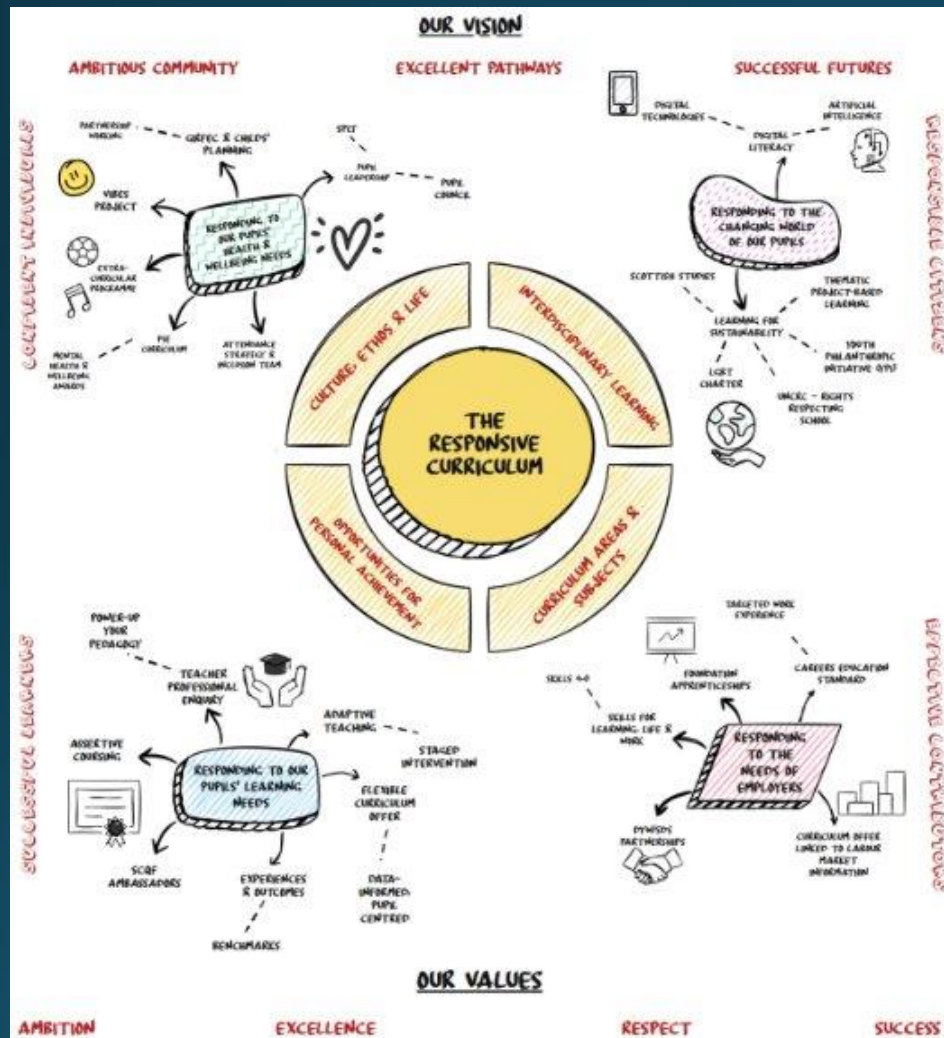


S_{5/6} Curriculum





Curriculum Rationale



- ✓ Curriculum offer is data-informed and pupil-centered
- ✓ Curriculum offer is not fixed from year to year – constant planning by departments for future cohorts.
- ✓ Utilise key processes (Post-School Leaver Destination, Pupil Pathway Planning, etc.) to plan for the next session

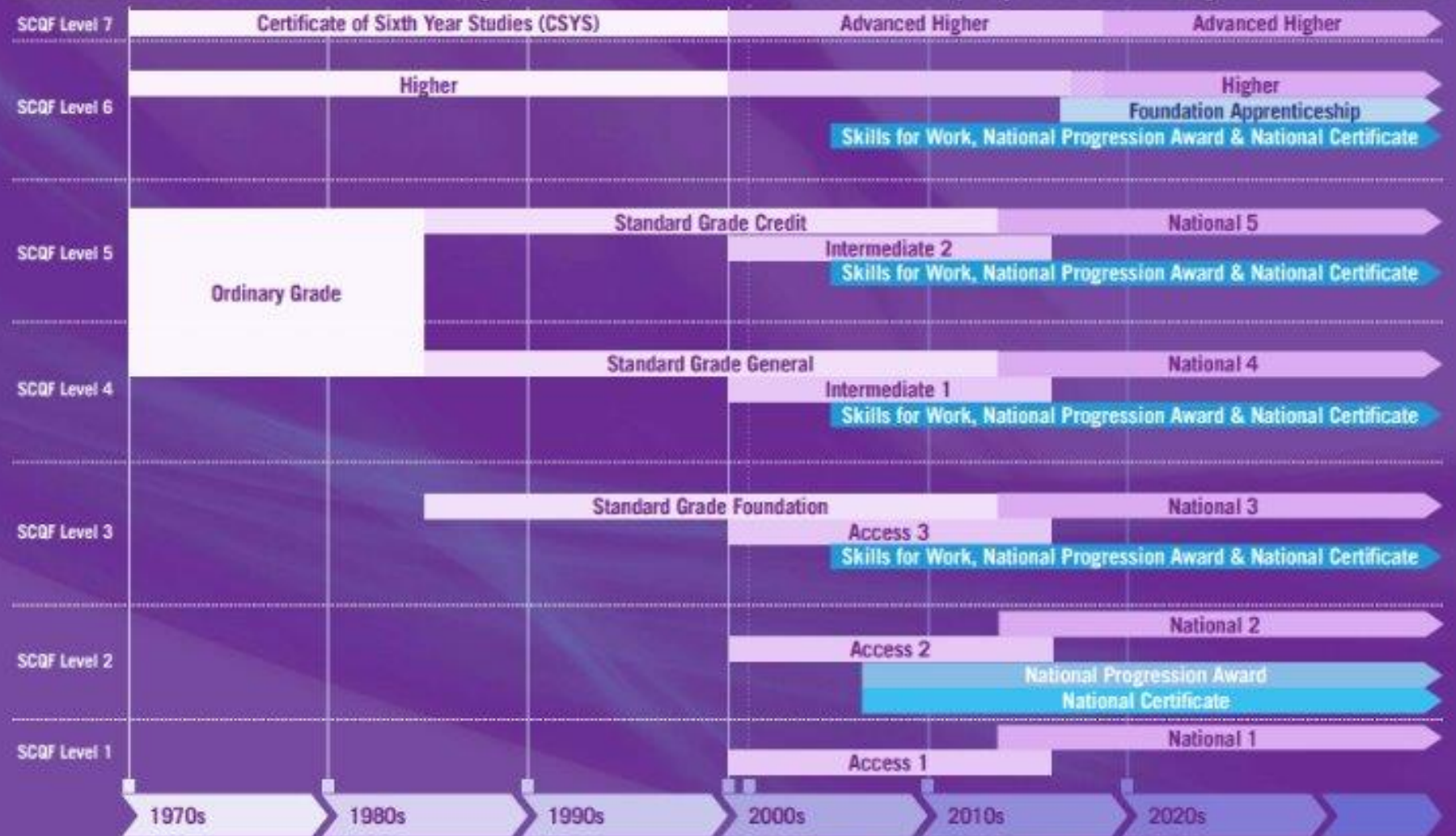
Curriculum Diversity



SCQF

SCOTTISH NATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS - SCQF LEVELS AND TIMELINES

This table shows how current and old qualifications relate to one another in terms of their SCQF level. The SCQF level of a qualification provides a way of comparing how demanding or difficult the learning involved in achieving a qualification is. This table can be used by anybody with a need to understand National Qualifications (normally awarded at school), for example employers when recruiting. More information on the SCQF can be found on our website (www.scqf.org.uk). More information on current qualifications in the table can be found by visiting the SQA website (www.sqa.org.uk/cfe).



2001: Creation of Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework. All levels are approximate for qualifications delivered prior to this date.

www.scqf.org.uk

Curriculum Diversity



NQ vs NPA

National Qualifications

- ✓ National 5, Higher and Advanced Higher
- ✓ Typically, a mixture of assignment and final exam

National Progression Awards

- ✓ Ongoing Assessment, rather than a Final Exam
- ✓ Level 5 NPAs (i.e. - Film and Media)
- ✓ Level 6 NPAs (i.e. - Hospitality)

High Level Messages for Success

Focus on making ambitious and meaningful course choices

Maximising attainment and achieve the highest level. This will include Advanced Highers for 26/27.

Being pathway focussed but also keeping your options open. More subjects have been added.

Completing the courses chosen, even when the going gets tough

Supporting your child and asking questions



The Choice Process



Options Process



- Change of process from previous years
- Building on Responsive Curriculum
- "Free Choice" to determine "columns"
- Pupils to plan their S3-S6 journey



Options Process



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Learner Pathway Planning Sheet

Pupil Name:

House:

S3 Subject & Level		S4 Subject & Level		S5 Subject & Level		S6 Subject & Level	
English		English					
Maths		Maths					
Modern Languages		1.					
Subject 1		2.					
Subject 2		3.					
Subject 3		4.					
Subject 4		5.					
Subject 5		Reserve					

Please tick if you are interested in:

College (1 day per week)

Work Experience

Planned Leaving Date: End of S4 ☐ S5 ☐ S6 ☐

Parent/ Carer Signature:

Guidance Teacher Signature:

Planned Destination

College ☐

University ☐

Work ☐

Apprenticeship ☐

See overleaf for more information



Options Process



- Guidance teachers will support in PSE classes
- Some pupils & parents will have targeted meetings to support more bespoke timetables
- Once pupils complete their planning sheets, they enter their choices on Google Form



Options Process



Information to support choices:

- Course Descriptor Booklets
- Planning Sheets
- SQA Progression & Attainment Statistics



Options Process



- Process begins on Friday 16th January 2026
- Emails will be sent to parents & carers with links to information and forms
- Paper planning sheets will be given to all pupils in PSE
- School Website will host all information
- **All choices submitted by Sunday 8th February 2026**



Subject Information & Partners

Subjects

ASN
Maths
English
Humanities
Home Economics
Digital Learning
Music & Art
Physical Education
Biology & Chemistry
Physics & Practical
Electronics
Design & Technology

Partners

Developing Young Workforce
Skills Development Scotland
UHI Moray College

Support

Guidance Team
Senior Leadership Team
Mr. Martin – Room 8