



Holyrood Secondary School

S3 Curriculum Information Evening
Transition from the BGE to the Senior Phase



Holyrood's 2020 Vision

“Holyrood Secondary School places the Catholic Faith at the heart of our culturally inclusive community. Our school provides a safe and nurturing environment where we work together **to ensure all young people have an equal chance to reach their fullest potential.** We strive to provide consistently excellent learning and teaching within a **curriculum designed to promote lifelong learning, positive destinations and better lives for all**”





All young people in Scotland have an entitlement to a senior phase of education which:

- provides specialisation, depth and rigour
- prepares them well for achieving qualifications to the highest level of which they are capable
- continues to develop skills for learning, skills for life and skills for work
- continues to provide a range of activities which develop the four capacities
- supports them to achieve a positive and sustained destination.



The Senior Phase in Holyrood

- 6 year School
- Excellent learning & teaching – staff trained
- Young people given the highest level of personal support – Pastoral Care/EAL/SFL/Partners
- Appropriate Learner Journey for all – supported by Partners where appropriate
- The progress of young people is tracked and appropriate interventions put in place eg both universal supported study & targeted tuition
- Work Placements at appropriate time in the Learner Journey
- Opportunities for Wider Achievement
- Leads to an aspirational positive sustained destination



National Qualifications

- National 3 - internally assessed units
- National 4 - internally assessed units
- National 5 – 2 year – internally assessed units
- National 5 - 1 year – external exam A-D
- Higher – 2 year – internally assessed units
- Higher – 1 year – external exam A-D
- Advanced Higher – external exam



THE SCOTTISH CREDIT AND QUALIFICATIONS FRAMEWORK

This Framework diagram has been produced to show the mainstream Scottish qualifications already credit rated by SQA and HEIs. However, there are a diverse number of learning programmes on the Framework, which, due to the limitations of this format, cannot be represented here. For more information, please visit the SCQF website at www.scqf.org.uk to view the interactive version of the Framework or search the Database.



SCQF Levels	SQA Qualifications		Qualifications of Higher Education Institutions	Apprenticeships & SVQs
12			Doctoral Degree	Professional Apprenticeship
11			Masters Degree, Integrated Masters Degree, Post Graduate Diploma, Post Graduate Certificate	Graduate Apprenticeship Professional Apprenticeship SVQ
10			Honours Degree, Graduate Diploma, Graduate Certificate	Graduate Apprenticeship Professional Apprenticeship
9		Professional Development Award	Bachelors / Ordinary Degree, Graduate Diploma, Graduate Certificate	Graduate Apprenticeship Technical Apprenticeship SVQ
8		Higher National Diploma	Diploma Of Higher Education	Higher Apprenticeship Technical Apprenticeship SVQ
7	Advanced Higher, Awards, Scottish Baccalaureate	Higher National Certificate	Certificate Of Higher Education	Modern Apprenticeship SVQ
6	Higher, Awards, Skills for Work Higher			Modern Apprenticeship Foundation Apprenticeship SVQ
5	National 5, Awards, Skills for Work National 5			Modern Apprenticeship SVQ
4	National 4, Awards, Skills for Work National 4	National Certificate	National Progression Award	SVQ
3	National 3, Awards, Skills for Work National 3			
2	National 2, Awards			
1	National 1, Awards			



Holyrood's S4 Results 2018

99% of young people got at least 2 National 3 Qualifications

90% of young people got at least 5 National 3 Qualifications

83% of young people got at least 5 National 4 Qualifications

40% of young people got at least 5 National 5 Qualifications

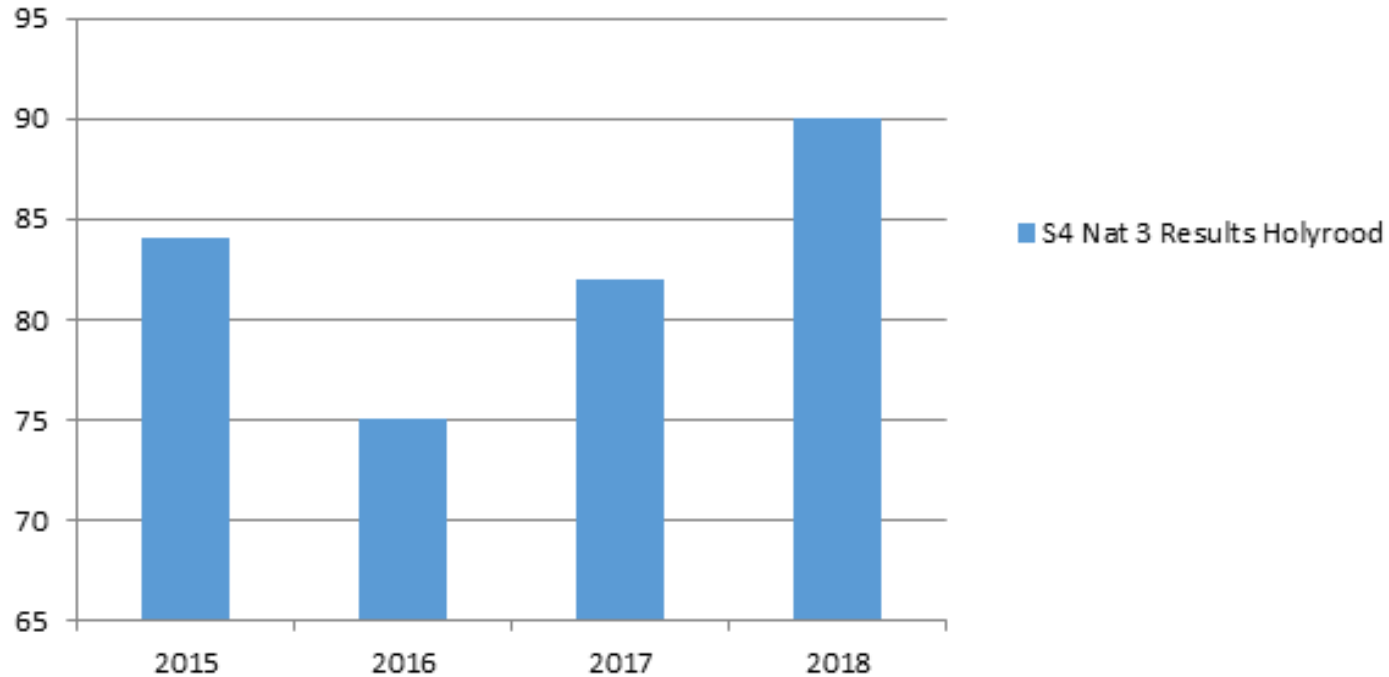
23% of young people got 7 National 5 Qualifications

22 Young People got 7 As



Holyrood S4 Results

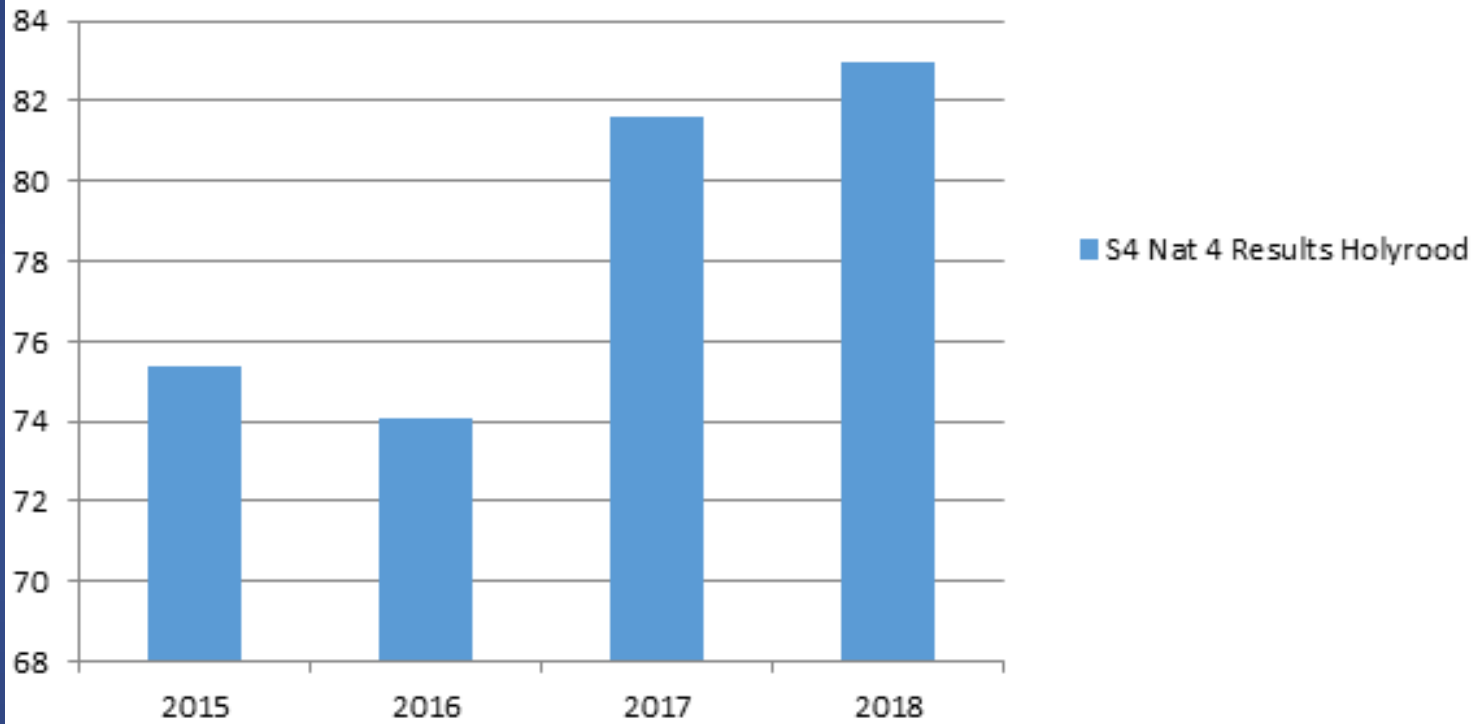
Holyrood S4 5 National 3 Percentages





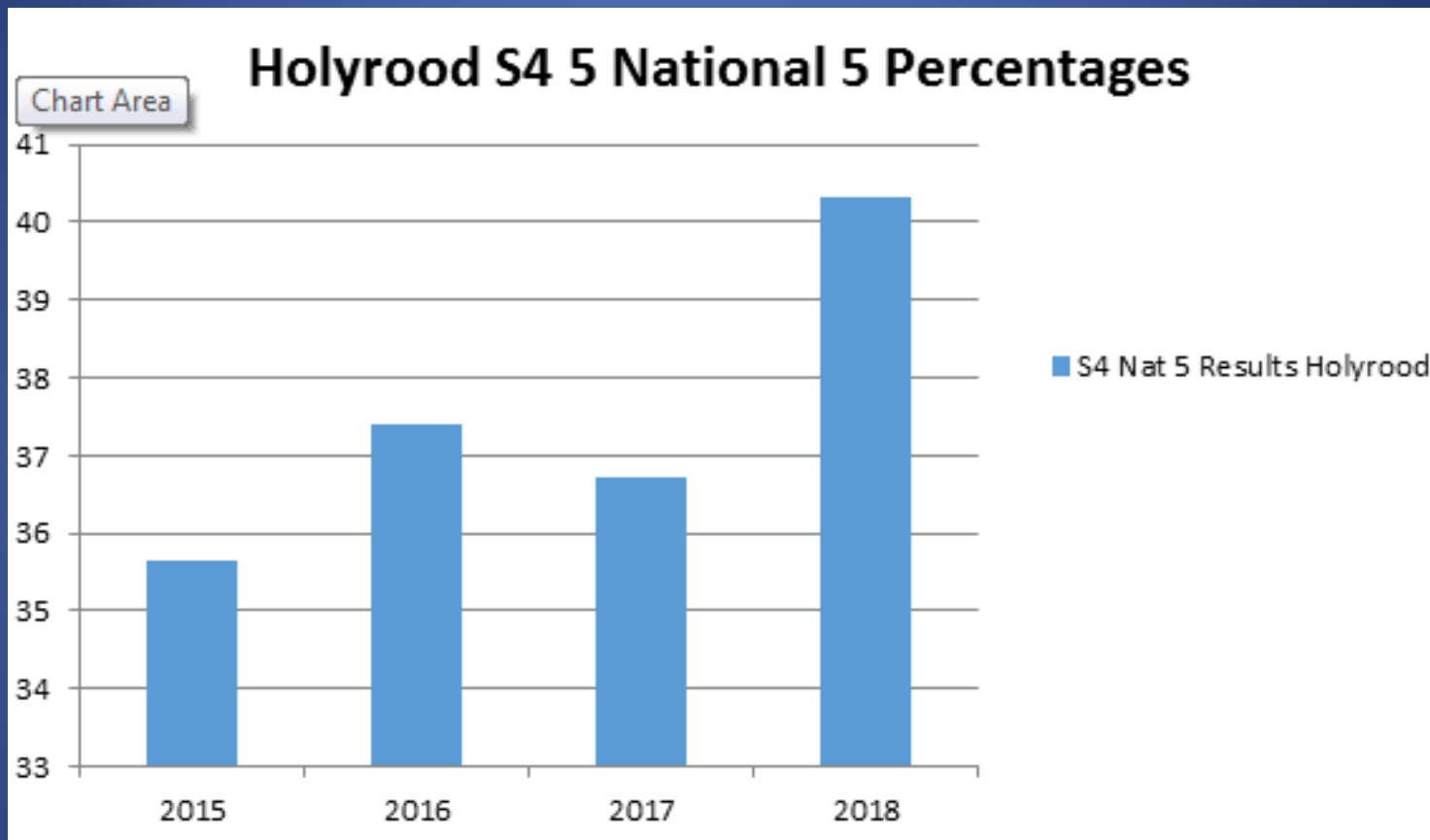
Holyrood S4 Results

Holyrood S4 5 National 4 Percentages





Holyrood S4 Results



What will the S4 curriculum look like?

- Young people will study 7 subjects in S4 for their National Qualifications
- Young people will continue to study English and Maths
- Young people will continue to have 2 periods of Core RE and Core PE each week





Subject progression

- It is strongly recommended that young people choose to study subjects they have previously studied in S3



S3 Tracking reports

- S3 Tracking reports will be issued on Monday 28th January
- The reports indicate the current level young people are working at and their progress.



Progress

Level 3

Level 4

Red

Amber

Green

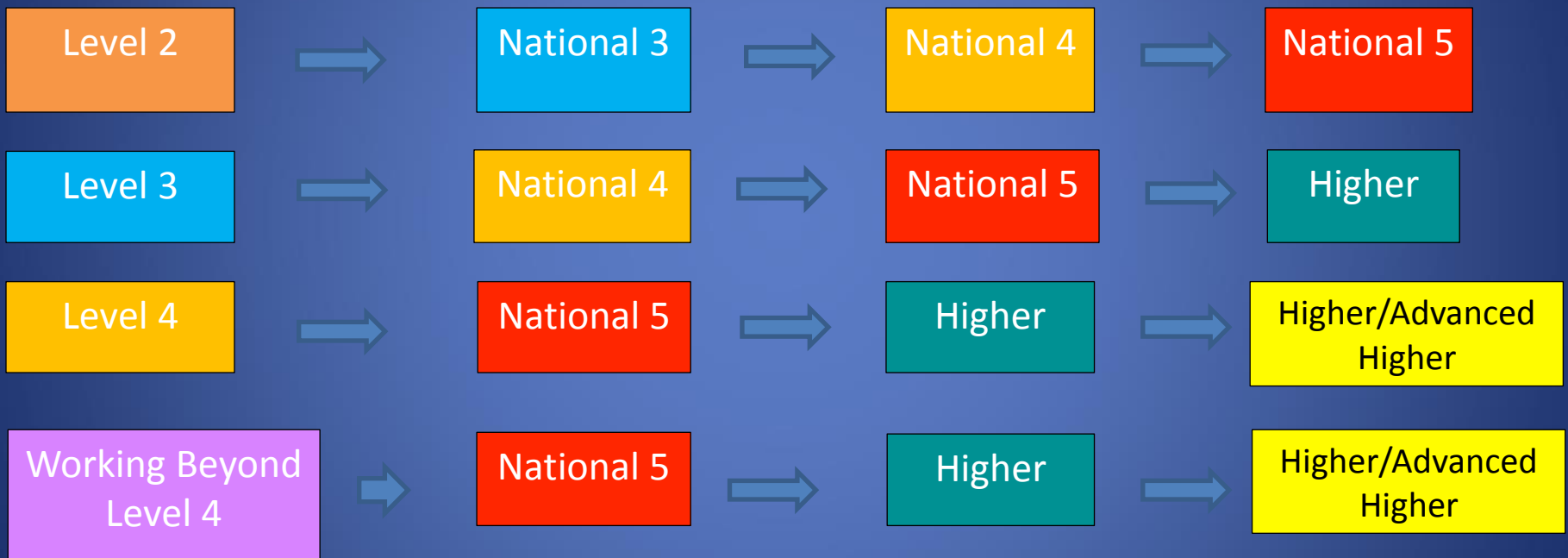
Red

Amber

Green



Senior phase pathways





College courses

- College courses are available to young people in S4 at City of Glasgow, Kelvin and Clyde Colleges.
- Courses take place across a number of locations around the city on a Tuesday and a Thursday afternoon
- Transport is provided for those who need to travel longer distances to attend
- Courses are available in areas such as:
 - Creative and digital industries
 - Admin, Financial and Business Services
 - Science, Engineering and Construction
 - Health Care, Education and Sport
 - Food, Drink, Hospitality and Leisure



College courses examples

- **Sport and Recreation (Anniesland Campus)**
- Entry Requirements – Course for Senior Phase young people
- Level – SCQF Level 4 (equivalent value to a National 4)
- Progression – Further study at level 5 (equivalent to N5)



College course examples

- **Early Education and Childcare**
- **Entry Requirements:** Young people should be working towards achieving National 5 qualifications
- **Level:** SCQF Level 5 (equivalent to a National 5)
- **Progression:** Entry to National Certificate courses (NC) or National Qualifications (NQ) in Early Education and Childcare



EMPLOYABILITY

- An employability class will be offered for young people in S4 next session
- This class will focus on the development of employability skills and achieving the Personal Development Award, provided by SQA.
- This class will look to offer relevant work experience opportunities for young people in preparing them for the world of work



Learner journey 1

Grace is hoping to study Vet Medicine when she leaves school at the end of S6.

- English WB Level 4
- Maths Level 4
- Spanish Level 4
- Geography WB Level 4
- History WB Level 4
- Biology WB Level 4
- Chemistry Level 4
- Physics Level 4
- Art WB Level 4
- English N5
- Maths N5
- Spanish
- Geography N5
- History
- Biology N5
- Chemistry N5
- Physics N5
- Art N5



Learner journey 2

James enjoys more practical subjects at school. He is interested in sport and considering coaching or personal training as possible career areas he is interested in.

- English Level 3
- Maths Level 3
- Technical Studies Level 3
- Games Development Level 3
- Biology Level 3
- Modern Studies Level 3
- Italian Level 3
- PE Level 4
- Music Level 3
- English N4
- Maths N4
- Technical Studies N4
- Games Development N4
- Biology College Course (level 4)
- Modern Studies
- Italian
- PE N5
- Music Employability



Learner journey 3

Abdul is not sure about what he would like to do after he leaves school. He feels it is best to keep his options as wide as possible to allow him to progress into many different areas.

- English Level 3
- Maths Level 4
- Chemistry Level 4
- Geography Level 4
- PE Level 4
- Spanish Level 3
- Art Level 3
- Music Level 3
- Computing Level 4
- English N4
- Maths N5
- Chemistry N5
- Geography N5
- PE N5
- Spanish N4
- Art
- Music
- Computing N5



Senior Phase Tracking

- Late September
- January
- March

SUBJECT	LEVEL	TRACKING 1	Overall Prelim Grade	Tracking 2
CHEM	NAT 5	GREEN	A	GREEN
COMP	NAT 5	GREEN	D	AMBER
ENG	NAT 5	AMBER	C	AMBER
MATHS	NAT 5	GREEN	B	GREEN
PE	NAT 5	GREEN	A	GREEN
PHY	NAT 5	AMBER	NA	RED
GEO	NAT 5	AMBER	NA	RED



Support for Young People in Senior Phase

- Universal Supported Study
- Targeted Tuition
- Easter Study
- Support for Learning
- EAL



English as an Additional Language



Important dates

- Monday 28th January – S3 Tracking Reports Issued
- Monday 4th February – S3 Parents Evening
- Tuesday 5th February – S3 Learner Journey process begins



Process

- Interview with PT Pastoral Care
- Learner Journey form completed
- Formed signed by parents/carers and returned to school
- All interviews completed by end of February
- New Timetable begins mid-May

Key things

- Ask your child about levels
- Ask about homework/check diary – I pads!!
- There should be regular assessment in subjects – talk about it
- If your child needs support, ask!
- If you have questions/worries contact PTPC/DHT/HT
- Check School Calendar for key dates eg Tracking/Parents Evening/Prelims