



# Grove Academy

Primary to Secondary Transition 2021



New Environment  
New Classmates  
New Subjects  
New Opportunities



# Curriculum for Excellence

S1-3

Broad General Education

S4-6

Senior Phase



# Curriculum Areas

## Primary

Languages/Literacy

Mathematics/Numeracy

Health and Wellbeing

Sciences

Expressive Arts

## Secondary

English

Literacy

German/French

Mathematics / Numeracy

Social Education

Tutor Time

HE

PE

Science

Art and Design

Music

Drama

PE



# Curriculum Areas

## Primary

Social Subjects

Technologies

Religious and Moral Education

## Secondary

Geography

History

Modern Studies

CDT

HE

Computing

Business Studies

RMPE



# BGE Curriculum

Subject	S1	S2
English and Literacy	4+1	4
German/French	3	3
Mathematics and Numeracy	4+1	4
Science	4	3
Social Subjects	3	3 +1
Computing	1	1
Business Enterprise	1	1
Technical	1	2
HE	2	1
Art and Design	2	1
Music	1	2
Drama	1	1
Inter-Disciplinary Learning	-	2
PE	2	2
RMPE	1	1
Social Education	1	1
	<b>33</b>	<b>33</b>



# BGE Curriculum

Subject	S3
English	4.5
German/French	3
Mathematics	4.5
Any 5 choices from all other subjects	15
Masterclasses	2
PE	2
RMPE	1
Social Education	1
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# Senior Phase

- 7 Courses in S4
- 5 courses in S5
- A meaningful curriculum in S6 (minimum 4 courses)

## EMPLOYABILITY

- SQA Courses (Nat 4, Nat 5, Higher, Advanced Higher)
- Apprenticeships Pathways (Plumbing/Electrical/Finance/Engineering/ Social Care))
- D & A College Link courses
- HNC (Computing) / HND
- Ethical Hacking and Cyber Security (NPA)
- Life-saving and Fitness Instructor Awards
- Childcare





# HMIE National Inspection on Curriculum and Leadership of Learning

Curriculum Rationale – Rich document, solid, thoughtful  
Consistent thread of skills for learning, life and work shown through school

Ever increasing range of pathways

Individualised curricula - very positive for those young people

Partnerships are proper and providing something we can't do in school - working to co-create a Curriculum that creates a range of pathways

There is a clearly understood standard of teaching and learning across the school.



# Typical S1 Day

## Wednesday

Period 1

German

Mr Edwards

Period 2

Modern Studies

Miss Dow

## Interval

Tutor Time

Miss Knox

Period 3

Music

Mr Taylor

Period 4

Technical

Mr Waghorn

## Lunch

Period 5

English

Miss Dick

Period 6

Science

Mrs Crabb

Period 7

Business Enterprise

Mrs Petrie



# Important Areas

- App / Website
- Home Learning / *Show My Homework*
- Assessment/Reporting
- Discipline
- Uniform





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# Extra-Curricular Activities

## Music

- Instrumental tuition
- Regional orchestras and bands
- School orchestras, bands, choirs and ensembles
- Music Festival
- School shows

## Sports

Hockey	Football	Badminton
Basketball	Volleyball	Netball
Dance	Athletics	Cricket
Swimming	Rugby	Golf
Tennis	Fitness Gym	House Competitions



# Extra-Curricular Activities

Duke of Edinburgh Award

Science Club

Creative Writing

Code Club

Peer Supporters

Computer Club

Chess Club

Scripture Union

Debating

Eco schools



# Trips

- Theatre Visits
- Film Showings
- Field Trips - Summerlee, Scottish Parliament, V&A
- Subject Conferences
- University Lectures – Abertay Modern Studies Debate, Dundee University Chemistry Christmas Lecture





# Foreign Excursions

- S3 German/RMPE Trip to Berlin
- S3/5 Music/ Modern Studies Trip to USA
- S4-6 Battlefields Trip



## S1/2 Ski Trip



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# Foreign Excursions

- AH Physics Trip to Cern in Switzerland
- Art and Design/Modern Studies/ Music Trip to London
- Iceland Geography Trip
- Auschwitz
- Japan /Kenya Exchange
- World Challenge/CAMPS



# SQA Results

S4	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
1+ Nat 5	87	92	87	91	91
3+ Nat 5	72	79	74	75	80
5+ Nat 5	49	63	59	64	64



# SQA Results

S5 (on S5)	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
1+ Higher	82	78	83	83	87
3+ Higher	56	55	67	62	71
5+ Higher	31	26	33	38	37



# Leavers' Destinations

Grove Academy	96.97%
Dundee	94.31%
Scotland	95.05%

## Grove

Higher Education	56.71%
Further Education	21.65%
Employment	16.02%





# Pupil Achievements

- RYLA – Chloe Hann
- Grove Equalities Group at DundeePride
- Eoin Simpson silver medal at Scottish swim U19 Water polo team in Cardiff
- Schools Digital Award
- Prince's Trust Cookbook
- ESU Scotland Mace Debating Ella and Thomas beat Strathallan
- 2Hugely successful Institute of Physics Girls into Physics and Engineering Day with 8 other schools.



# Pupil Achievements

- Grove Eco Group -Green Growers - won “It’s your neighbourhood” award with distinction for Queen St and a Thriving Certificate for Sheil St Community Garden
- CHAS - chosen as school charity £803.96
- Iris and Charlotte through to second round of Donald Dewar Memorial Debating Competition
- Girls football team won the Dundee FCCT soccer 7s tournament, then came 3rd in National Finals
- Aspire Cup semi final Hockey beat HSG 7-0
- Prince’s Trust group - visit to Foodbank, and later over 1200 items donated



# Pupil Achievements

- S6 Sleep over and visit from Santa
- Winter Ball
- Mock Election
- S6 Bac showcased their projects to S2
- Eagles Wings Trust raised £538,10
- Music and Drama Christmas Concert
- Ryan Arnott Under 18 International Schools football Squad – Cap
- S1 boys into last 16 of Scottish cup winning 5-4 against Aberdeen Grammar





# Pupil Achievements

- Golf- Ross Alexander and Finlay Hazelwood – Ballumbie Junior Final
- OECD Visits – 2 FPs and 2 senior pupils involved - GA a case study - Very positive insight
- Mock Courts
  - 5th Green Flag



- Sadly, further achievements prevented by Lockdowns



# School Recovery Plan

- Leadership and Management of the Recovery from lockdown
- Improved Learning Provision
- Improvement in children and young people's health and wellbeing
- Raise attainment and achievement





# Our Vision



Together the Grove Learning Community is building an excellent school where we all:



VALUE learning and aim to be the best we can be



BUILD positive relationships so everyone feels included, valued and safe.



DEVELOP confidence, leadership, commitment and a strong sense of values



REACH out to the wider world and make a difference to others.

# Values

## Our HANDFUL OF VALUES



### RESPONSIBILITY

Understand and accept the positive and negative consequences of your actions.

### HONESTY

Be true to yourself and others.

### FAIRNESS

Consider everyone as an individual and give them a fair chance.

### RESPECT

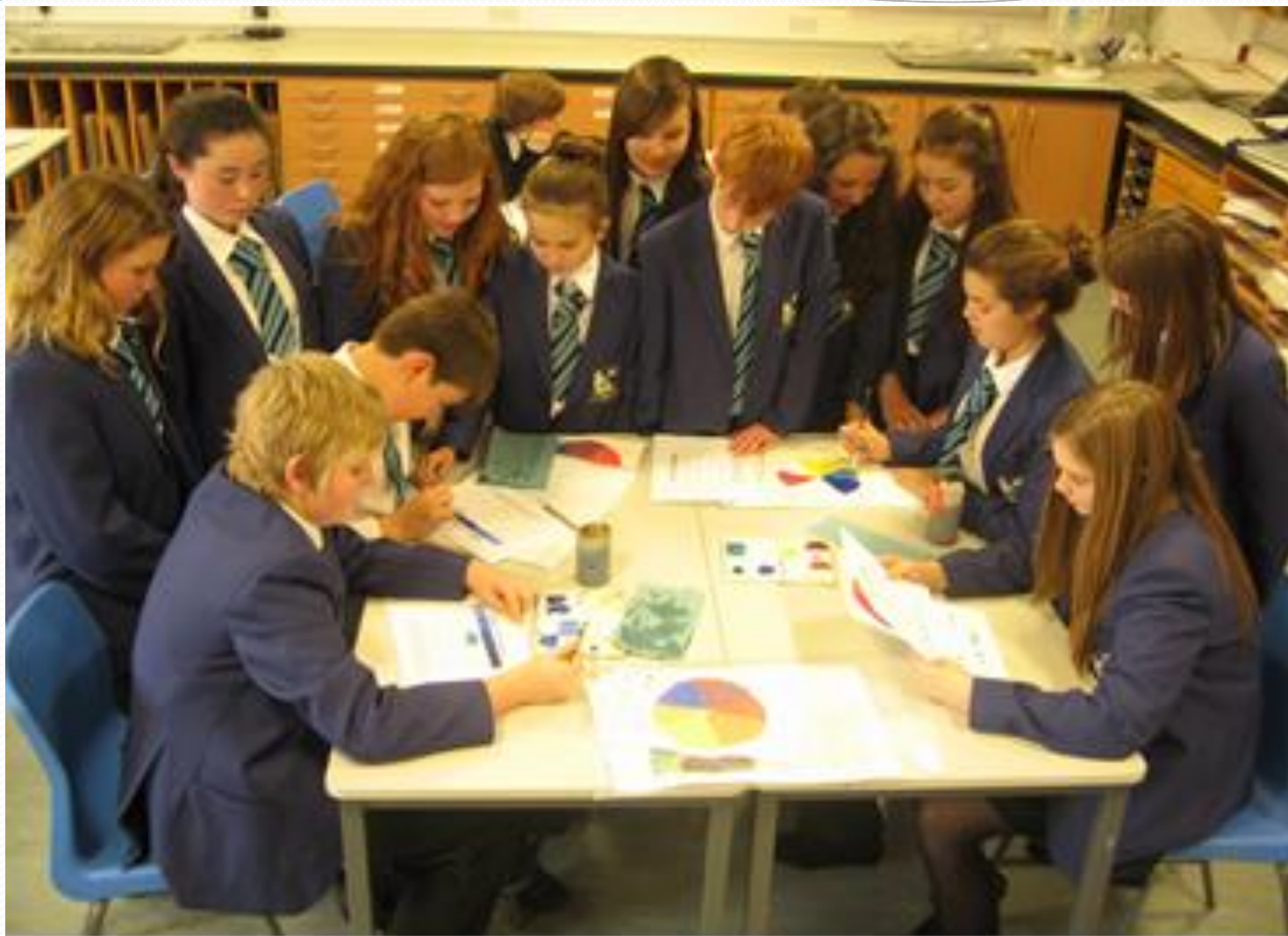
Treat others the way you would like to be treated yourself.

### DETERMINATION

Aim to achieve the best you can, even when it is challenging.









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Thank you for listening.  
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