

Electives (S2 & S5-6)



CRAIGROYSTON
Community High School, Edinburgh

Elective Course Choice

S2 Elective

As part of the S2 curriculum, pupils are given an option to take an elective subject. This allows pupils to choose a non-traditional subject that allows them to pursue an interest or develop a skill that they may not in other subject areas.

The elective runs for 2 periods a week.

Miss Stewart will meet with you to discuss your progress and help you to make the best choice for S2.

S5-6 Elective

As part of the S5-6 curriculum, pupils are given an option to take an elective subject. This allows pupils to choose a non-traditional subject that allows them to pursue an interest or develop a skill that they may not in other subject areas.

In particular this allows pupils to explore areas that may be of interest to them when they leave school. This allows them to add something different to their C.V. that they may not get from a traditional subject.

Mr McFarlane or Mr Murphy will meet with you to discuss your progress and help you to make the best choice for S5-6.

Your meeting will take place at some point during the following dates:

Monday 1st February – Friday 5th February

Monday 15th February – Friday 19th February

At the end of the meeting, your choices will be entered into our computer programme and printed off.

You must ensure that you take your course choice home and have it signed by your parent or carer. It should then be returned to your Head of House.

Please think about your subject choices carefully and discuss these with your teachers and parents/carers

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S2 ELECTIVE

Name	Description	Subjects & Careers
Creative Writing Elective	<p>A chance for pupils to develop their interests in creative writing, acquiring the skills and technical vocabulary to write creatively in a workshop-style environment.</p> <p>By raising awareness of teen competitions and working towards creating an anthology by the end of the year, the pupils will be given a focus for their creative endeavours and shown how to actualise their creative talents into reality.</p>	<p>Subject skills used: English, Health and Wellbeing, Numeracy, Cultures and Widening Participation</p> <p>Possible Careers: Publisher, Writer, Consultant, Screenwriter, Poet, Librarian, Lecturer</p>

S5/6 ELECTIVE

Name	Description	Subjects & Careers
Film and Media Elective	<p>A hands-on look at film and filmmaking. 50% of the course will be learning about filming procedures and techniques, the other half an opportunity to work collaboratively to write, film and produce short films.</p>	<p>Subject skills used: Media, English, Drama, Music, Computing Science, Health and Wellbeing and Business.</p> <p>Possible Careers: Director, Actor, Screenwriter, Editor, Producer, Cinematographer, Lighting Technician, Production Assistant, Film Writer etc.</p>

Expressive Arts



S2 ELECTIVE

Name	Description	Subjects & Careers
ACTIVE ART	Learners will create Art in a range of different/active ways <i>e.g. sculpture, outdoor art, large mural, modelling etc.</i>	Subject: S3 Art and Design Career (example): Sculptor
DEVISING DRAMA	Learners will devise dramatic work tailored to a specific audience <i>e.g. children, the elderly, teens etc.</i>	Subject: S3 Drama Career (example): Director
MAKING MUSIC	Learners will make Music in a variety of different ways <i>e.g. starting a band, composing jingles, working with technology etc.</i>	Subject(s): S3 Music Performing (and/or) S3 Music Technology Career (example): Radio DJ

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Name	Description	Subjects & Careers
<i>Drama: ACTING PREPARATION</i>	<p>This elective will be based on NPA 'Professional Theatre Preparation' at Level 6.</p> <p>https://www.sqa.org.uk/sqa/38386.html</p> <p>Learners will explore a range of different ways to prepare for Drama courses by exploring a range of suitable audition pieces/ monologues.</p>	<p>Subject: SP Drama</p> <p>Career (example): Actor</p>
<i>Art: COSTUME DESIGN</i>	<p>This elective will be based on NPA 'Costume: An Introduction' at Level 5.</p> <p>https://www.sqa.org.uk/sqa/91057.html</p> <p>Learners will work with textiles to create fashion items and accessories (with a focus on surface embellishments) to produce costumes suitable for a stage production.</p>	<p>Subject: SP Art and Design</p> <p>Career (example): Fashion Designer</p>
<i>Music: COMMUNITY MUSIC</i>	<p>This elective will be based on NPA 'Music for Wellbeing' at Level 6.</p> <p>https://www.sqa.org.uk/sqa/64884.html</p> <p>Learners will have opportunities to further develop their instrumental skills. They will work closely with outside partners/agencies to organise and run music workshops for different groups of people <i>e.g. nursery children, OAPs etc.</i></p>	<p>Subject(s): SP Music Performing (and/or) SP Music Technology</p> <p>Career (example): Vocalist Music Therapist</p>

Health & Wellbeing



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Name	Description	Subjects & Careers
School for Chefs	<p>For students interested in a career in the hospitality industry.</p> <p>Learn about working in a kitchen providing food for customers.</p> <p>Work in a professional kitchen at Edinburgh College.</p> <p>An opportunity to learn and practice skills such as breadmaking, cake baking and pizza dough.</p> <p>There will be lessons from professional chefs from various restaurants and kitchens around Edinburgh.</p>	<p>Local and international opportunities working in the hospitality industry as a chef.</p> <p>Further courses at college in hospitality, catering and apprenticeship courses.</p>
<p>S2 School of Football</p> <p>* Open only to S1 SoF Students</p>	<p>This is only for students already identified as part of the School of Football Programme.</p> <p>Part of the week's sessions will be carried out during the S2 Electives time.</p>	<p>Subjects students could select are National Courses in Physical Education, and in S5 and beyond Leadership in Sport and</p> <p>Careers range from PE teaching and coaching to sports industry staff and management.</p>

Health & Wellbeing



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Name	Description	Subjects & Careers
<p>NPA Sport and Fitness: Team Sport SCQF Level 5 Group Award code: G9CJ45</p> <p>Open to S3 & S4 Senior School of Football Only.</p>	<p>This is an elective only available to Students previously involved in S3 and S4 School of Football</p> <p>Progress to this qualification will be based on being approved by S. McNeill for entry requirements.</p> <p>THIS IS NOT AN OPEN ELECTIVE COURSE FOR OTHER STUDENTS</p>	<p>Future Study</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HND/ HNC Coaching and Developing Sport or Sports Therapy • HND Fitness Health and Exercise • Physical Education Teaching (MA) • Sport and Recreation Management (BSc) • Applied Sports Science (BSc) <p>Future Career</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personal Trainer • Sports Coach • PE Teacher • Sports Development Officer • Sports Scientist

Mathematics & Numeracy



S5/6 ELECTIVE

Name	Description	Subjects & Careers
Maths Plus	<p>Pupils will work exclusively on Math work.</p> <p>This will involve completing classwork, home learning and study.</p>	<p>This may lead to a career or study where Level 5 and Higher Level are required.</p>

Modern Languages



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Name	Description	Subjects & Careers
Media	Learners study different forms of media including adverts, posters and film / TV trailers. They work together to create their own using computers, art supplies and iPads. **THIS COURSE IS IN ENGLISH!**	Pupils may be able to choose Media in S4. This could lead to a career in journalism, broadcasting, marketing, TV or films.
Nail Art	Learners study different nail art techniques and designs, create their own patterns, and of course – paint nails!	Pupils may choose ‘Manicure Skills’ as a senior elective. This could lead to a career in the beauty industry.

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Name	Description	Subjects & Careers
Amazing Nails	This course gives learners the skills and knowledge to give professional manicures and to identify skin diseases that would prevent the performance of a manicure treatment. It involves a series of theory lessons followed by practical work. Pupils could earn a NPA level 5 in manicure skills .	A great steppingstone to a career in the beauty industry. This course would definitely boost your college application and even give you priority over students who haven't done it in school.
British Sign Language	Pupils will learn the basics of British Sign Language, so that they can communicate with people who have a hearing impairment. They will also choose if they want to work to support a related charity.	An added bonus for any career.

Languages and Work	Pupils will learn language skills that are directly related to the workplace. It also improves employability skills by helping with things like building a CV, interview skills etc.	The employability skills and language skills in this course would be helpful in any career path.
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Science



S2 ELECTIVE

Name	Description	Subjects & Careers
Real World Science	Pupils will explore a range of real-world science based activities and experiments. These will focus on problem solving, product design, teamwork and investigation skills.	<p>Pupils may want to take any Science, Technology or Maths subjects in S4.</p> <p>This may lead to a career in science, engineering or design.</p>

Social Subjects



S5/6 ELECTIVE

Name	Description	Subjects & Careers
Healthplace: Positive Mental Health	<p>This elective is for anyone and everyone – whether you have struggled with your own mental health at times or simply want to learn some tools to help you manage your mental wellbeing.</p> <p>Pupils will also achieve the Wellbeing Award (SCQF Levels 4 – 6).</p> <p>The course will cover:</p> <p>Mental health Positive Body Image Tools for Dealing with Low Mood Creating Personalised Self Care Plan</p>	Counsellor Social Worker Youth Worker Nurse Doctor Carer Teacher

Technologies



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Name	Description	Subjects & Careers
Creative Technologies	<p>Learning useful skills through the create use of technology. We will look at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Games programming • Web design and programming • Micro:bit programming • Animation 	<p>Pupils can choose to take any Computing subjects</p> <p>Jobs such as programmer or web developer.</p>
Formula 1	<p>Pupils work in project teams throughout the year.</p> <p>They will design, fundraise, manufacture and race a F1 car in competition with other schools.</p>	<p>Pupils may want to take any Design and Tech subjects in S4.</p> <p>This may lead to a career in design and engineering.</p>

S5/6 ELECTIVE

Name	Description	Subjects & Careers
Introduction to Data Analysis	Learn how to clear, transform and model data to discover useful information to facilitate business decision making.	Data Science at college or university.
Creative Workshop Skills	<p>Pupils will work exclusively on designing workshop projects.</p> <p>This will involve manufacturing products using new skills in a workshop environment.</p>	This may lead to a career in design or a trade specific industry.