

Prepare to Pass @Braes

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Helping your child prepare for exams

Our young people have just finished their prelim examinations and will now be working in classes to prepare for their final SQA examinations. We understand that learning for young people in the past 2 years has been different and staff are working with pupils in their in classes to ensure young people are fully supported and prepared for their national qualifications. The type of support required may depend upon the way the course is assessed, for example, assignments; case study; practical activity; performance; portfolio; project; question paper/test. Staff at Braes offer a wide range of supports which have been shared with senior pupils on Teams and in class.

Regular attendance throughout the year will help to ensure that young people keep up with course work and any home learning which has been set to provide consolidate classwork. If they do fall behind, through illness perhaps, do speak to the school about any support which can help them catch up.

Talking to your child to reassure and encourage them and taking an interest in what they are doing will help them get through what can be a stressful time and will help them to do their best.

What support is on offer in Braes?

➤ Supported Study

An extensive programme of supported study classes across a range of subjects has been offered since August. Staff have been running classes at the end of the school day and this information has been shared with young people. If pupils are in need of extra support they should speak to their class teacher in the first instance. While many staff offer informal support for individuals and small groups as required after school, we also have staff who offer a programme of regular support as shown below.

Day	Subject	Target Audience	Teacher	Time
Tuesday	History	N5	Miss O'Donnell, Rm 323	3.45-4.45
	Biology	H/AH	Dr Quinlan, Rm 204	3.45-4.45
	Maths	N5/H/AH	Various	3.45-4.45
	Physics	N5/H	Mr McLean, Rm 203	3.45-4.45
Wednesday	Biology	N5/H	Miss Robinson, Rm 220 Miss Mackie, Rm 219	3.00-4.00
	Business Management	S4-6 N5 & H	Mrs Buchanan, Rm 308	Senior Lunch
	History	N5/H	Miss Godfrey	3.00-4.00
	Maths	N5/H/AH	Various	3.00-4.00
	Graph Comm	N5	Miss Kinnear, Rm 115	3.00-4.00
Thursday	Music Technology	N5 & H	Mr Morris, Rm 103	3.45-4.30
	Geography	H	Mr Bell, Rm 302	3.45 – 4.30
	History	N5	Miss Jackson, Rm 326	3.40-4.40
	Physics	N5/H	Mrs Sneddon, Rm 206	3.45-4.45

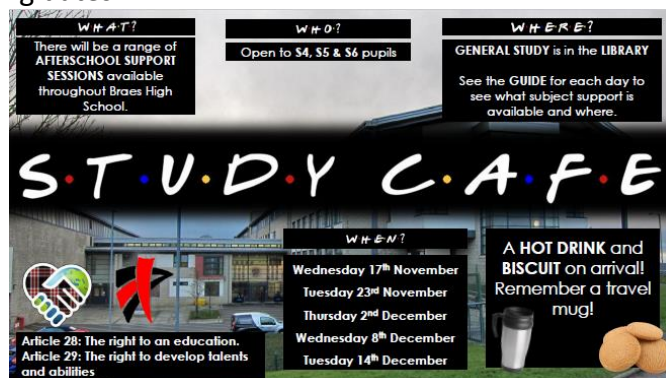


➤ Study Cafes

Our programme of Study Cafes run alongside the support teachers give through the programme of supported study. The cafés were set up to give young people an environment conducive to personal study where they can grab a hot drink and a biscuit while getting support from class teachers.

Study cafes will run during March on the following dates:

- ✓ Wednesday 9th March
- ✓ Thursday 17th March
- ✓ Wednesday 23rd March
- ✓ Tuesday 29th March



➤ Easter School

We will be offering specific subject support for pupils on Monday

There will be three sessions running each day:

Session 1 : 0855 – 1035

Session 2 : 1050 – 1230

Session 3 : 1315 – 1455

Pupils will be asked to sign up to sessions in advance so that staff can plan for the groups attending.

Monday 4th April 2022

Session 1		Session 2		Session 3	
Teacher	Subject/Level	Teacher	Subject/Level	Teacher	Subject/Level
R Halliday	H Maths	R Halliday	H Maths	R Halliday	H Maths
D Paterson	N5 Maths	D Paterson	N5 Maths	D Paterson	N5 Maths
C Godfrey	N5 History	C Godfrey	H History		
L Campbell	N5 Biology				
		I McGuire	N5 Geog	I McGuire	N5 Geog
Dr Quinlan	H/AH Biology	Dr Quinlan	H/AH Biology	Dr Quinlan	H/AH Biology
L Yeates	H PE				
C McLean	N5 English	C McLean	H English		
D Allan	H English	D Allan	H English		
B Firth	H English	B Firth	N5 English		
G McIntosh	H Media	G McIntosh	H Media		
I Vosser	H Computing	I Vosser	N5 Computing	I Vosser	N5 Bus Man
G McDonald	N5/H Spanish	G McDonald	N5/H French	G McDonald	N5/H Spanish

Tuesday 5th April 2022

Session 1		Session 2		Session 3	
Teacher	Subject/Level	Teacher	Subject/Level	Teacher	Subject/Level
R Halliday	N5 Maths	R Halliday	N5 Maths	R Halliday	N5 H Maths
L Simpson	H/AH Maths	L Simpson	H/AH Maths		
G Bell	H Geog	G Bell	H Geog	G Bell	H Geog
M Shaw	N5/H Bus Ed	M Shaw	N5/H Bus Ed	M Shaw	N5/H Bus Ed
K Mackie	N5/H Biology	K Mackie	N5/H Biology	K Mackie	N5/H Biology
E Horne	H English	E Horne	H English		
M Rooney	N5 English	M Rooney	N5 English		
I Vosser	N5/H/NPA Computing – Practical Session	I Vosser	N5/H/NPA Computing – Practical Session	I Vosser	N5/H/NPA Computing – Practical Session

➤ Online Supports

<https://e-sgoil.com/study-support>

Running from the 7th – 15th April 2022, e-sgoil are offering live webinars covering more than 60 courses, with three inputs per course. Pupils can register for these webinars using the link above. These sessions are available to all students across Scotland and can be useful to pupils who struggle to attend after school supported study or Easter school due to commitments.

<https://scholar.hw.ac.uk>

Scholar has been created specifically for Scottish students and is invaluable support for Nat 5, Higher and Advanced Higher courses across the curriculum. Pupils have a password to access these courses.

<https://www.youtube.com/FVWLRIC>

Forth Valley and West Lothian have joined forces and to support young people across Falkirk, Stirling, Clackmannanshire and West Lothian. Staff have created videos to help with exam preparation with a range of subjects at different levels. Keep checking as more videos are being added daily. Use the QR code to take you to the You Tube channel (FVWL RIC).

