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Dear Parent/Carer,

S6 course choice 2019-20

S6 course choice forms have been issued to all S5 students today with their school reports. Pupil Support Teachers will meet with all S5 students over the next few weeks to discuss their options for 2019-20 and assist with career planning.

Students are asked to indicate on their course choice form if they are intending to return to school for S6. Those who are considering leaving school in 2019 are encouraged to meet with our careers adviser, who can provide guidance with applications to college and job vacancies. Some school leavers may also benefit from the support of our Aspire team, who can provide a bespoke programme to support a young person into a positive post school destination. Further information on the Aspire programme can be found in 'My Brighter Future' at https://tinyurl.com/y87eba4b

Students who return to school for S6 are required to sign a 'Learner Agreement' as part of the S6 induction programme in May 2019. The Learner Agreement sets out our expectations of S6 students, and includes the following points:

- Students must maintain an attendance rate of over 90% and any individual periods where a student is absent must be accounted for. Significant health issues should be discussed with Pupil Support for individual arrangements.
- Students must maintain excellent timekeeping throughout the session. Students must not be late more than 10 times throughout the year.
- Students must be in full uniform at all times in school.
- Students must maintain high standards of behaviour and attitude throughout the session.
- Students must commit to improving their attainment throughout the session.

In returning to school for S6, all students must follow a full curriculum for the whole session. Students are asked to choose between 4 and 7 subjects, (depending on the level of study and the outcome of our curriculum consultation), and a Wider Achievement. Students should number these on their course choice form in order of preference, 1 being the subject that the student needs the most. Students are also asked to indicate a reserve choice in case one of their options is not available. The appropriate level of study should be identified in discussion with Pupil Support and subject departments. Higher courses are only available to those with a National 5 pass in the same or a related subject. Advanced Higher subjects tend to be taught for some periods with a high degree of self-study expected. Further information about the courses offered can be found in our S5/6 course choice booklet on the school website (Curriculum > Course Choice booklets > S5/6 course choice booklet).

Information about S6 courses will be available at our Raising Attainment evening on Tuesday, 26^{th} February, from 6 pm - 7.30 pm in the Street Area. S5 parents are also invited to attend the options presentation at 6.45 pm in the school library.

Course choice forms should be returned by **Friday**, 8th **March 2019**. Please let me know if I can be of any further assistance.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Barbara Lee

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Lesmahagow High School S6 Choice Form 2019-20

Name:	Class:	× V
Returning for S6: Yes/No		

Subject	Nat. 4 or 5	Higher	Adv. Higher	Wider Achievements	Must choose 1	
Administration and IT				Fashion and Textile Technology		
Art and Design				Languages for Life and Work		
Biology/ Human Biology				(Level 3 or 4)		
Business Management				Leadership Award (Level 5 or 6)		
Chemistry						
Computing Science				NPA Sports Development (Level 6)		
Design and Manufacture/ Product Design				Working with Others Level 4		
Drama				Youth Achievement Award		
English				(Level 4 – 6)		
French						
Geography						
German				Please list any other Advanced Higher subjects you are interested in studying in this box:		
Graphic Communication						
Hospitality						
History						
Maths						
Modern Studies						
Music						
PE						
Physics						
Practical Woodwork						
Religious, Moral and Philosophical Studies						

Reminders:

- Select between 4 and 7 subjects (depending on the level of study and the outcome of our curriculum consultation), plus a Wider Achievement.
- Number your choices in order of preference (1 being the subject you need the most).
- Please also select a reserve choice (R).
- Classes will only run if there are sufficient numbers and we have adequate teaching resources.
- All course choice forms must be returned to your Pupil Support teacher by: Friday, 8th March 2019.

Signature of Parent/Carer: _			