NEXT STEPS

DIGITAL LEARNING

Our pupils will be given iPads in the upcoming session. To reflect this our faculty are adding further opportunities to help pupils develop their digital skills. This will allow us to maximize the potential of this exciting new resource!



MAINTAINING EXCELLENCE

Our subjects have a track record of supporting pupils throughout their learning journey. We will continue to support pupil attainment by adding to the opportunities available at Firrhill. This session we will be running S1 Modern Studies, an optional S3 RMPS course and Higher Politics for the first time!

Our teachers are passionate about supporting our pupils to achieve their best. Each year we provide a variety of opportunities for pupils to share their thoughts about courses. We use this feedback to maintain our proven track record of providing an excellent environment for pupils.

CONTINUING CONNECTIONS

In the past, our faculty has offered a range of exciting opportunities for trips and extra-curricular activities. We will continue our clubs such as: Debate, Feminist Club and the GSEA. We will also add new opportunities that build on our existing partnerships with groups such as Parliament Outreach, Trauma Aware Law, Universities and Community Justice Scot.

WHY SOCIAL SUBJECTS?

SKILLS

As well as opening up a variety of exciting career and further study opportunities, our subjects focus on skills development. Our subjects allow learners to develop skills that allow them to make sense of the world. Students are encouraged to develop an open mind, sense of responsibility and global citizenship.

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SOCIAL MEDIA

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Ms C Mouat (Modern Studies)

Mr L Smith (Modern Studies)

Ms L Thomas (Modern Studies and Politics)

Ms A Wallace (Modern Studies)

PROGRESSION PATHWAYS

Progression pathways show the roadmap of how pupils might progress from ST Modern Studies and Religious Moral Philosophical Studies (RMPS) to certificate courses.

Please scan the QR codes below to find out more about the Modern Studies, RMPS and Politics courses available to young people at Firrhill!



RMPS Progression Pathway



Modern Studies and Politics Progression Pathway

BGE MODERN STUDIES

COURSES OFFERED



Modern Studies is contemporary and dynamic. In S1-3 pupils cover topics that allows them to investigate key elements of the modern world such as crime, inequality, global citizenship, conflict, democracy and world powers such as Russia, China and America.

CERTIFICATE MODERN STUDIES

Firrhill High School offers National 3, 4, 5, Higher and Advanced Higher Modern Studies courses. Each course is framed in social, political and international contexts allowing pupils to develop diverse and exciting perspectives on the world we live in. They will develop skills such as presentation, debate, evaluation, analysis, team-work and creativity,

HIGHER POLITICS



New for 2022, in this course pupils will study political theories in detail, compare the political systems of the USA and UK and look at how political parties fare in elections.

BGE AND CORE RMPS

Pupils study core Religious, Moral and Philosophical Studies from S1 to S4. We cover a range of topics from 'Belief, Myth and Legend' in S1, to 'Buddhism' in S3 and 'Morality and Justice' in S4.



CERTIFICATE RMPS

We offer certificate Religious Moral and Philosophical Studies from National 4 through to Advanced Higher. In National 5 pupils study the topics Morality and Justice, Buddhism and The Existence of God. At Higher we study Morality and Conflict, Islam and The Existence of God. At Advanced Higher we study Medical Ethics and Philosophy of Religion.

FURTHER OPPORTUNITIES

Our increased uptake in both Modern Studies and RMPS has allowed the faculty to introduce both subjects at all levels. Pupils are able to complete courses such as National 3, 4, 5, Higher and Advanced Higher.

In 2022, following high pupil demand, we also introduced Higher Politics! Pupil voice activities show that pupils experience engaging lessons that allow them to make clear connections to the world they live in.

MAKING LEARNING RELEVANT

Pupils can make further connections to the real world issues in the lessons and extra-curricular activities our faculty provides. This includes guest speakers from Parliament and other industries including: justice, social work and the third sector,

Our lessons show the connections between our subjects and a variety of career or further education opportunities.

PUPIL TESTIMONY & POSITIVE DESTI-

Our pupils move on to a variety of exciting career and further study opportunities. This has included: law, teaching, journalism, social work, criminology, engineering, economics, nursing and business management. Modern Studies, Politics and RMPS courses open up a world of opportunities for young people!

Please scan the QR codes for further information and pupil testimonies from Firrhill alumni.



