

**The Gordon Schools**

**Agreed**

**Collegiate Staff Calendar**

**2019-2020**

* This Collegiate Calendar reflects Aberdeenshire’s school holiday pattern for 2019-2020
* There are 3 Occasional Days allocated for this Session which been agreed with our Cluster and Parent Council. We also have two additional in-service days which have been granted on a national basis and are placed to be consistent across Aberdeenshire Council.
* The SQA Coursework Uplift dates for N5, H and AH for 2019-2020 are included.

The SQA exam timetable for 2020 has been published; start/end dates are included.

Our SQA Coordinator will issue a separate TGS SQA Calendar for the more detailed SQA deadlines. The main SQA coursework pick-ups are included.

* A full list of Tracking & Reporting dates for next session is included at the end of the Calendar.
* \*\*\*The timetable for the following session (20/21) is dependent upon our consultation over the structure of our School week. This may well impact on when our timetable for 2020/21 begins and whether we have to put interim arrangements in place for June 2020. New bus contracts will not be in place until August 2020 so any new structure could only begin from the new term.

**Updated: 1 November, 2019**

**The Gordon Schools Term 1 Session 2019-2020**

**Monday 19th August – Friday 11th October (8 weeks)**

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| **w/b** | **Monday** | **Tuesday** | **Wednesday** | **Thursday** | **Friday** |
| **1****19 Aug** | **TGS****In-Service:****Our Vision, Structures & Impact** | **Additional TGS****In-Service: Evidencing Improvement** | **Start of Term 1****for pupils** |  | MVP Pupil Training day |
| **2****26 Aug** |  | S3 Huntly Heritage workshop p4-6 | AH Biology Fieldwork trip all day | YPI Assembly S3 Launch p5 | MVP Pupil Training day |
| **3****2 Sept** | Pupil Council (PC) Assemblies weekFreiburg/Strasbourg trip departs | SLT & FH/PT Meeting (1): Learning, Teaching & Assessment | S1 Maths Relay: Lunch | S1 Maths Relay: LunchH&Wb Young Leaders LaunchWoodhill HouseEnergy Girls@Oil&Gas: TECA | S1 Maths Relay: Lunch |
|  **4****9 Sept****Hands-up survey week** | Pupil Council Manifesto weekFreiburg/Strasbourg trip returns | H Geography fieldwork: Tarnash Falls | S2 Huntly Castle Visit | Collegiate Meeting (1): Learning, Teaching & Assessment |  |
| **5****16 Sept** | Optional Work Experience week for S4/5/6Citizenship Shoebox Appeal beginsParents in Partnership (1) | Aberdeenshire & HMIe ES visit | Aberdeenshire & HMIe ES visit | Pupil Council Election day |  |
| **6****23 Sept** | SLT & FH/PT Meeting (2): Health & Wellbeing | S1 Sponsored WalkFuture Asset Conference: Edinburgh(Six S5/6 pupils) | Adv HigherGeography TripMacmillan Coffee Morning | UCAS HE ExhibitionAberdeen | Nat Geography all day in Huntly |
| **7****30 Sept** | Pupil Council Training am | S1 Walk reserve dateNational Modern Studies trip: Scottish ParliamentPC Class Council (1)Registration | Collegiate Meeting (2): Health & WellbeingPiP Evening Fashion Show with M&Co | Pupil Council Meetings (1)p1 + SYP Democracy DayRotary Young Musician Competition EveEnd Citizenship Shoebox Appeal | Pupil Council Exec-SLT Meeting (1)p1 |
| Mock Trial Aberdeen CourtsSaturday AM |
| **8****7 Oct** |  | S1 Parents’ Meeting | H Geographytrip: Aberdeen S4 Crash Live event PM | Pupil Council Feedback (1)Nat History trip: Bannockburn**End of Term 1****For Pupils** | **Additional TGS****In-Service** |

**The Gordon Schools Term 2 Session 2019-2020**

**Monday 28thth October – Friday 20th December (8 weeks)**

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| **w/b** | **Monday** | **Tuesday** | **Wednesday** | **Thursday** | **Friday** |
| ***9******28 Oct*** | **Start of Term 2 for all** |  | SLT & FH/PT Meeting (3): TMR |  | S4/5/6 Senior Phase Tracking (1) |
| ***10******4 Nov*** | Modern Studies S3 & S6 Peterhead Prison Museum Visit | Collegiate Meeting (3): TMR |  | S5 ‘Safe Drive Stay Alive’ Aberdeen p 3-6UKMT Junior Maths Challenge | S3 Army STEM eventall dayInitial SQA entries confirmed |
| ***11******11 Nov*** |  | Parents in Partnership (2) | PC Class Council (2)Registration | NESCOL Fraserburgh: Experience DayTGS DYW Apprenticeship & Careers Fair2pm – 8pm | S3 CfE TrackingEnergy Girls @ Shell Conference |
| ***12******18 Nov*** | **Aberdeenshire****In-Service** | **TGS****In-Service:****Universal Support** |  | Pupil Council Meetings (2)P2 | p2 Pupil Council Exec-SLT Meeting (2) |
| ***13******25 Nov*** |  | YPI Run-through S3 and S2 - Hall | S1CfE TrackingPupil Council Feedback (2) | Inter-House Swimming Gala | TGS YLOL to Banff Academy all day: Relationships |
| ***14******2 Dec*** |  | S3 YPI Final Event Evening7pm | Christmas FairLunchtime | Banff YLOL to TGS all day: Relationships‘DEFIB Day’Sports Ambassadors | S2 CfE Full Report S3 History trip: Edinburgh‘Forbidden PlanetTechnical/Dressall day |
| ***15******9 Dec*** | ‘Forbidden Planet’PM MatineePensioners’ Party | ‘Forbidden Planet’Evening Performance | ‘Forbidden Planet’Evening Performance | ‘Forbidden Planet’Evening Performance | Christmas Jumper Day |
| ***16******16 Dec*** | S3 Parents’ Meeting | Junior School Dance | Senior School DanceChristmas Maths Relay: Lunch |  | **Christmas Service: Strathbogie Parish Church****End of Term 2** |

**The Gordon Schools Term 3 Session 2019-2020**

**Monday 6th January – Friday 3rd April (13 weeks)**

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| **w/b** | **Monday** | **Tuesday** | **Wednesday** | **Thursday** | **Friday** |
| **17****6 Jan** | **Start of** **Term 3 for all** |  | Curriculum Info Evening forS3, S4 & S5 | SLT & FH/PT Meeting (4):Sustainability |  |
| **18****13 Jan** |  |  | S2 Parents’ Meeting | Start: N5-H-AH Exam Diet |  |
| **19****20 Jan** | PC ClassCouncil (3)Registration Collegiate Meeting (4): SQA and AAAs |  |  | Pupil Council Meetings (3)p3 | Pupil Council Exec-SLT Meeting (3)p3 |
| **20****27 Jan** |  |  |  | Pupil Council Feedback (3) |  |
| **21****3 Feb** | End: N5-H-AH Exam Diet Parents in Partnership (3) | P7 into S1 Information Evening (1) |  | S3 DTP + Men ACWY Imms UKMT Intermediate Maths Challenge |  |
| **22****10 Feb** |  | Curriculum Info Evening for S2 | S3 CfE Full ReportS3 ‘Languages in Work’ morningInter-House Cross Country | **Occasional Day (1)** | **Occasional Day (2)** |
| **23****17 Feb** |  **Mid-term holiday** | **Aberdeenshire****In-Service** | **TGS****In-Service:** | S4/5/6 Parents’ Meeting (1) |  |
| **24****24 Feb** | S4/5/6 Senior Phase Tracking (2) SQA Levels confirmed | S4/5/6 Parents’ Meeting (2) | NASSA Cross Country |  | Deadline for SQA Unit only entries |
| **25****2 Mar** |  |  |  | World Book DayS3 MMR Catch-up + S1 Boys HPV |  |
| **26****9 Mar** |  | SLT & FH/PT Meeting (5):Self-evaluation | S2 English Johnstons Elginpresent to TGS | S1+S2 Girls HPV | S2 ALEC workshop |
| **27****16 Mar** | Aberdeenshire Progress visitPC ClassCouncil (4)Registration | Aberdeenshire Progress visit S2 English (1/3) Johnstons Elgin | S2 English (1/3) Johnstons Elgin SQA N5 Uplift\* (1)**(\*not Art / Music / P.E.)** | Pupil Council Meetings (4)p4 | S2 English (1/3) Johnstons ElginPupil Council p4 Exec-SLT Meeting (4) |
| **28****23 Mar** | Finalise SQA entries this week: no cost |  |  | Pupil Council Feedback (4) |  |
| **29****30 Mar** |  |  |  | TGS S2/3 SVA Volleyball Festival | **End of Term 3** |

**The Gordon Schools Term 4 Session 2019-2020**

**Monday 20th April – Friday 3rd July (11 weeks)**

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| **w/b** | **Monday** | **Tuesday** | **Wednesday** | **Thursday** | **Friday** |
| **30****20 Apr** | **Start of Term 4****for all** | Parents in Partnership (4) |  | SQA N5 (2) & H & AH Uplift (1) **N5** **Art / Music / P.E.** **(Not H Photography)****(Not AH Art / Drama / English / Geography / Music)**Collegiate Meeting (5): Self-evaluation  | **Last day in school for S4/5/6** |
| **31****27 Apr** | **SQA Exams begin** | S2CfE Tracking |  |  |  |
| **32****4 May** |  | AH Uplift (2)(AH English (Writing) |  | AH Uplift (3)(AH Drama & Geography)NESCOL S2 Technology Final | **May Day holiday** |
| **33****11 May** | PC ClassCouncil (5)Registration |  |  | S1 CfE Full ReportPupil Council Meeting (5) p5S1 Army STEM  | Pupil Council Exec-SLT Meeting (5)p5 |
| **34****18 May** | SLT & FH/PT Meeting (6):Priorities 20/21 |  |  | Pupil Council Feedback (5) | SQA N5 Units & N2 – N4 Units results deadline |
| **35****25 May** | S3 CfE Level Achieved |  | Sports Day | H Uplift (2)(H Photography)AH Uplift (4)(AH Art & Music) | Last SQA exam in our Hall |
| **36****1 June** | **Occasional Day (3)**(no SQA exams) | \*\*\*Start of new timetable\*\*\* | New S5 Induction**Last day of SQA exams****(old S6 only)** | New S6 InductionDoE Bronze expedition practice | DoE Bronze expedition practice |
| **37****8 Jun** | Parents in Partnership AGM |  | Theme Day‘Old S6’ | DoE Bronze expeditionImmunisationscatch-up day | DoE Bronze expeditionH&Wb YLs Showcase Abdn |
| **38****15 Jun** |  |  | Collegiate Meeting (6): Calendar/WTA | Watersports Trip departs |  |
| **39****22 Jun** | 5 Day Visit begins for P7s |  |  | P7 into S1 Information Evening (2)p4 Pupil Council Meeting (6) | Watersports Trip returns |
| **40****29 Jun** | Pupil Council Feedback (6) | S1/2/3 Merit Ceremonies | S3 Geography trip: CullenPrize Giving Evening |  | **End of Session****Staff Return** **Mon 17 Aug** |
| **2019-20****Year** | Tracking, Reporting, Parents’ Meetings & SQA Assessments |
| **S1 Initial****Settling-in****Report** | Teacher by | QA by | Printing by | To Parents on |
| **S1 Parents’ Meeting: 8 October** |
| **27 Nov**CfE Level Achieved +Progress + E/B/H | **4 Dec** | **5 Dec** | **6 Dec** |
| **S1****Full** | **14 May**E/B/H + CfE Level AchievedProgress + Next Steps Comment | **21 May** | **22 May** | **25 May** |
| **S2 Parents’ Meeting: Wednesday 15 January** |
| **S2****Full** | **6 Dec**E/B/H + CfE Level AchievedProgress + Next Steps Comment | **16 Dec** | **18 Dec** | **19 Dec** |
| **S2****Tracking** | **28 April**CfE Level Achieved +Progress + E/B/H | **5 May** | **6 May** | **7 May** |
| **S3 Parents’ Meeting: 16 Dec** |
| **S3****Tracking** | **15 Nov**CfE Level Achieved +Progress + E/B/H | **25 Nov** | **26 Nov** | **27 Nov** |
| **S3****Full** | **12 Feb**E / B / H + CfE LevelNext Steps Comment | **27 Feb** | **27 Feb** | **2 March** |
| **S3****Achieved** | **25 May**Faculty Internal dataCfE Level achieved | **n/a** | **n/a** | **n/a** |
| **Senior Phase****Tracking****S4 / 5 / 6** |  |
| **1** | **1 November**Initial SQA National levels confirmedWG + TG + On/Off Track for A-C | **9 November** | **13 November** | **14 November** |
| **2** | **24 February**WG =SQA Estimate + % + SQA TG**This also indicates the****recommended Level to Parents/Carers for SQA** | **2 March** | **4 March** | **5 March** |
| **S4/5/6 Parents’ Meeting: Thursday 20 February (1) – Parents choose to attend (1) and/or (2)****S4/5/6 Parents’ Meeting: Tuesday 25 February (2) – Parents choose to attend (1) and/or (2)** |
| * **Senior Phase Exams for N5-Higher-Adv Higher: 16 January – 31 January, 2020**

**(No S4 / 5 / 6 Study Leave) – Monday 3 February is reserved as a Catch-up day*** **Deadline for Unit only entries to guarantee August Certification is 28 February**
* Final SQA entry levels confirmed with Parents/Carers: Thursday 5 March
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**Teacher dates for Calendar 2019-20:**

**Tracking, Reporting, Parents’ Meetings & SQA Assessments**

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| **Month** | **Tracking Report** | **Full Report** | **Parents’ Evening** | **Assessment** |
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| October |  |  | **S1**8 Oct |  |
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| November | **S4/5/6**1 Nov**S3**15 Nov**S1 Settling-in**27 Nov |  |  |  |
| 8 November: Initial confirmation of SQA National 5 & Higher & AH Levels |
| December |  | **S2**6 Dec | **S3**16 Dec |  |
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| January2020 |  |  | **S2**: 15 Jan | N5-H-AH Prelim Assessment Diet |
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| February | **S4/5/6**24 Feb | **S3**13 Feb | **S4**: 20 Feb**S5/6**: 25 Feb |  |
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| March | **S4/5/6**5 MarchConfirm SQA Levels |  |  |  |
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| April | **S2**28 April |  |  |  |
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| May | **S3 (Internal)**25 May | **S1**14 May |  |  |
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**The Gordon Schools Senior Phase**

**Scottish Qualifications Authority (SQA)**

**Coursework and assessment deadlines for our pupils 2019-20**

[Abbreviations used: National 4 (N4); National 5 (N5); Higher (H); Advanced Higher (AH)]

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| Subject | Level | Piece of work to be completed | TGS completiondate |
| Accounting | N5 | Coursework: in class | 11th March |
| H | Coursework: in class | 11th March |
| Administration and IT | H | Assignment | 23rd March |
| N5 | Coursework: 2 sessions in class | 3rd + 10th March |
| H | Coursework: 1 session in class | 16th March |
| Art & Design | N5 | Portfolio | 30th March |
| H | Portfolio | 30th March |
| AH | Portfolio | 22nd May |
| Biology | N4 | Assignment | 17th December |
| N5 | Assignment | 17th December |
| H | Assignment | 13th March |
| AH | Project | 3rd April |
| Business Management | N5 | Coursework: during Term 3 in class | 12th March |
| H | Coursework: during Term 3 in class | 19th March |
| Chemistry | N4 | Assignment | 6th March |
| N5 | Assignment | 6th March |
| H | Assignment | 13th March |
| AH | Project | 3rd April |
| Drama | N5 | Performance Assessment period (Visiting Examiner) | 10th Feb-24th April |
| H | Performance Assessment period (Visiting Examiner) | 10th Feb-24th April |
| AH | Dissertation | 24th April |
| Performance Assessment period (Visiting Examiner) | 10th Feb-24th April |
| Economics | N5 | Coursework: during Term 3 in class | 13th March |
| H | Coursework: during Term 3 in class | 20th March |
| English | N5 | Folio | 12th March |
| H | Folio | 19th March |
| AH | Folio & Dissertation | 3rd April |
| French | N5 | Writing Assignment | 13th March |
| Speaking Assessment | 3rd April |
| H | Writing Assignment | 3rd April |
| Speaking Assessment | 3rd April |
| AH | Speaking Assessment period(Visiting Examiner) | 10th Feb-20th March |
| Folio | 3rd April |
| Geography | N5 | Assignment in class | 11th November |
| H | Assignment in class | 2nd December |
| AH | Dissertation | 4th May |
| German | N5 | Writing Assignment | 13th March |
| Speaking Assessment | 3rd April |
| H | Writing Assignment | 3rd April |
| Speaking Assessment | 3rd April |
| AH | Speaking Assessment period(Visiting Examiner) | 10th Feb-20th March |
| Folio | 3rd April |
| History | N5 | Assignment in class | 11th & 21st February |
| H | Assignment in class | 2nd March |
| AH | Dissertation | 20th April |
| Hospitality | N5 | Assignment | 6th March |
| Practical Activity | 3rd April |
| Modern Studies | N5 | Assignment in class | 4th & 6th December |
| H | Assignment in class | 21st February |
| AH | Dissertation | 20th April |
| Music | N5 | Composition | 16th December |
| Performing Assessment period (Visiting Examiner) | 10th Feb-20th March |
| H | Composition | 16th December |
| Performing Assessment period (Visiting Examiner) | 10th Feb-20th March |
| AH | Analysis | 9th October |
| Performing Assessment period (Visiting Examiner) | 27 April-15th May |
| Photography | NPA | Course Units | 24th April |
| H | Folio | 25th May |
| Physical Education | N5 | Performance | 3rd April |
| Portfolio | 3rd April |
| H | Performance | 3rd April |
| Physics | N4 | Assignment | 6th March |
| N5 | Assignment | 6th March |
| H | Assignment | 13th March |
| AH | Project | 3rd April |
| Practical Woodwork | N5 | Assignment | 21st April |
| Practical Metalwork | N5 | Assignment | 21st April |
| Religious Moral & Philosophical Studies | H | Assignment in class | 11th March |
| Spanish | N5 | Writing Assignment | 13th March |
| Speaking Assessment | 3rd April |
| H | Writing Assignment | 3rd April |
| Speaking Assessment | 3rd April |
| AH | Speaking Assessment period(Visiting Examiner) | 10th Feb-20th Mar |
| Folio | 3rd April |

**TGS Vision**



At The Gordon Schools we have recently renewed our Vision.

This guides our everyday actions and expectations and is a statement of what we are trying to be and do as a School.

An easy way to remember our Vision, is using the initial of our School – T G S

Our **Vision** is:

**Together Growing Succeeding**

 **Together:**

 Is about treating one another positively, kindly and with respect. We are all a part of the School community, the Local Huntly community and beyond. Our actions here affect other local, national and international communities.

 We must consider what consequences our actions will have on others and on our environment, both locally and globally.

 **Growing:**

We need you to value and look after your health. This includes your physical, mental, emotional and spiritual health.

 TGS should be a happy place, with support for everyone to feel good about their health. We want you to develop confidence and resilience for life in and beyond School.

 **Succeeding:**

Success means being the best possible version of yourself that you can be. If you succeed with this then you will learn as well and achieve as much as you can.

 Have a growth mind-set – explore new things and aim for future successes! At TGS we want you to be proud of your achievements and successes and we will celebrate those with you.