



The Gordon Schools

Agreed Collegiate Staff Calendar 2022-2023

- Our Staff Consultative Team and Professional Association Representatives have input in representing colleagues during the construction of our Collegiate Calendar for the new session. Individual and faculty/department suggestions have also been included.
- This Collegiate Calendar reflects Aberdeenshire's school holiday pattern for 2022-2023.
- There are 3 Occasional Days allocated for this Session indicated in the Calendar, confirmed with both our Parent Council and our Cluster.
- The SQA Coursework Uplift dates for N5, H and AH for 2022-2023 are now published. The SQA exam timetable for 2023 is now published. As well as a finish date, there is also a contingency day on 1 June that we need to keep free, just in case. Our SQA Coordinator will issue a separate TGS SQA Calendar for the more detailed SQA deadlines shortly.
- A list of Tracking & Reporting dates for next session is included, together with our Middle leadership PT-FH & SLT Meeting and Collegiate Meeting schedule. The Tracking and Reporting dates will be confirmed shortly based on the SQA dates for next session around initial entry, change of levels and Estimate deadlines.
- TGS plan to introduce an Outlook Collegiate calendar to complement our own individual ones. This will be updated centrally each week with events and activities. Please pass submission to by Friday lunchtime of previous week.

Updated: 23rd September 2022

The Gordon Schools Term 1 Session 2022-2023

Monday 22nd August – Friday 14th October (8 weeks)

w/b	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 22 Aug	TGS In-Service (1): SQA	Start of Term 1 for pupils			
2 29 Aug	Elect S1 Pupil Council Reps & fill vacancies		FH-PT-SLT Meeting (1)		Tour of Britain cycling events at TGS
3 5 Sept				Collegiate ASL S1 Q & A Sharing Practice	
4 12 Sept	Hands-Up Travel Survey week Registration Collegiate Meeting (1): Promoting Positive Behaviour	Re-arranged Pixel Photography S1- S6 photos Re-arranged TGS PiP Meeting 18:30 (1) S6 History to Aberdeen Uni			
5 19 Sept	Closure State Funeral		Scottish Learning Festival (Virtual)	Scottish Learning Festival (Virtual)	
6 26 Sept	H Geography Tarnash Falls Fieldwork Ukraine Themed week FH-PT-SLT Meeting (2)				
7 3 Oct	Week of Flu Immunisations Mon – Thurs inc. Care Group trip to Lossiemouth	Collegiate Meeting (2): IDL & Learning for sustainability introduction with MDEC PiP Meeting: B.G.E. Reporting 18:30 Library		Higher Drama Skills Performance Assembly Hall p 1 & 2 MacMillan Coffee Lunchtime (John Swan Atrium)	National Drama Skills Performance Assembly Hall p 1 & 2
8 10 Oct	S1 Settling-in Report: Teachers		Parental Health and Wellbeing evening 17:00 – 19:00 Assembly Hall		TGS Initial confirmation of SQA N, H & AH Levels End of Term 1

The Gordon Schools Term 2 Session 2022-2023

Monday 31st October – Friday 23rd December (8 weeks)

w/b	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9 31 Oct	Start of Term 2 for all ALEC 'LifeSpace' Tent: TGS Hall for Gordon Primary/Nursery	FH-PT-SLT Meeting (3)		SQA and S3 Drama trip to Eden Court Theatre	
10 7 Nov	S4/5/6 Cause for Concern window opens	TGS PiP Meeting 18:30 (2)	S1/2 face-to-face Parents Meeting		
11 14 Nov	Crash Live S4 Driving Safety event Periods 5 & 6 Car Park & Assembly Hall	S1/2 virtual Parents Meeting Visiting Author Keith Gray Periods 3 – 6 English	S4/5/6 Cause for Concern window closes National and Higher Modern Studies visit to Scottish Parliament AH English Writefest (online) TGS Quiz Night 7pm Assembly Hall	In-Service (2): TGS day Health & Wellbeing & Curriculum & Skills	In-Service (3): Aberdeenshire & TGS day Sat 19 th Murrayfield Rugby Trip
12 21 Nov	S4/5/6 Tracking Report: Teachers			FH-PT-SLT Meeting (4) Strike Day	
13 28 Nov				Inter-House Swimming Gala Senior Phase Parents' Meeting (1): Virtual	
14 5 Dec			Senior Phase Parents' Meeting (2): Face-to Face		
15 12 Dec	TGS Panto Dress & Tech rehearsal day TGS Panto Evening (1)	TGS Panto Evening (2)		Christmas Jumper Day Christmas Meal in Canteen	
16 19 Dec		S1, S2, S3 Christmas Dance tbc	S4, S5, S6 Christmas Dance tbc	P7 Cluster Christmas Dance	Christmas Service End of Term 2

The Gordon Schools Term 3 Session 2022-2023

Monday 9th January – Friday 31st March (12 weeks)

w/b	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
17 9 Jan	Start of Term 3 for all S2 Full Report: Teachers		FH-PT-SLT Meeting (5) Tbc Potential strike	S3 into S4 + S4/5 into S5/6 Curriculum Evening 19:00 – 21:00	
18 16 Jan	Senior Phase Prelim Diet begins	TGS PiP Meeting 18:30 (3)		Collegiate Meeting (3): Learning, Teaching & Assessment	
19 23 Jan			FH-PT-SLT Meeting (5) Re-arranged		S3 Tracking Report: Teachers
20 30 Jan	Potential strike	P7 Information Evening (1) Face-to Face 7pm			
21 6 Feb	Final Day Senior Phase Prelim Diet FH-PT-SLT Meeting (6)	S2 into S3 Curriculum Evening 19:00 – 20:00	TGS Inter-House Cross Country	Occasional Day (1)	Occasional Day (2)
22 13 Feb	Aberdeenshire Mid-term holiday	In-Service (4): TGS day Learning, Teaching, Assessment	In-Service (5): Aberdeenshire & TGS day	S3 face-to-face Parents' Meeting	Theme Day tbc
23 20 Feb	Collegiate Meeting (4)	Aberdeenshire QI Interim Revisit tbc		NASSA Cross Country @TGS	
24 27 Feb	S4/5/6 Full Report: Teachers	FH-PT-SLT Meeting (7)		TGS Final confirmation of SQA N, H & AH Levels spreadsheet closes	
25 6 Mar			Collegiate Meeting (5)		Sunday 12 th Murrayfield Rugby Trip
26 13 Mar		TGS PiP Meeting 18:30 (4)			S3 Full Report: Teachers
27 20 Mar					
28 27 Mar					End of Term 3

This term tbc:

- Vaccinations for pupils

The Gordon Schools Term 4 Session 2022-2023

Monday 17th April – Friday 7th July (12 weeks)

w/b	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
29 17 Apr	Start of Term 4 for all	Collegiate Meeting (6)			
30 24 Apr	SQA Exam Diet begins	TGS PiP (5) Meeting 18:30			
31 1 May	May Day holiday			S2 Tracking Report: Teachers FH-PT-SLT Meeting (8)	
32 8 May	Potential Holiday King's Coronation				
33 15 May	Re-arranged: Collegiate Improvement Plan Review & Planning 23-24	S3 Geography Cullen fieldwork		Aberdeenshire Full QI Revisit	
34 22 May		S1 Full Report: Teachers	Collegiate Meeting (7)		
35 29 May	Last TGS SQA Exam		SQA Exam Diet planned end	TGS Sports Day SQA Exam Diet contingency day	TGS reserve date for Sports Day
36 5 Jun	Occasional Day (3)	First day of new timetable 2023-24 tbc			
37 12 Jun	Collegiate ASL New P7 Info Session	TGS PiP A.G.M.	Voting opens for School Captains Team		S6 Prom Pittodrie House Hotel
38 19 Jun	Pupil Council Elections for 23/24 this week	Voting closes for School Captains Team		Collegiate Calendar & WTA Meeting 23/24	
39 26 Jun	P7 Transition Week begins			P7 Parents Information Evening (2)	P7 Transition Week ends
40 3 July		S1/2/3 Celebration of Learning Assembly Hall (morning event)	TGS Prize Giving (Evening)		End of Session SQA Results day Tues 8 th August Staff Return Mon 21 Aug

This term tbc:

- Events day? Vote Y / N Term 4 21-22...inc. new colleagues...

2022-23 Year		Tracking, Reporting, Parents' Meetings & SQA Assessments (Parents Portal - electronic copy of Reports available to those who sign-up)			
Year Group(s):	Teacher by:	QA by:	Printing:	Paper copies & Parents' Portal on:	
S1 Parents' Meetings: Wednesday 9th November = Virtual & Tuesday 15th Nov = face-to-face					
S1 Initial Settling-in Report	Monday 10th October Progress: Eff+Beh (Hwk optional)	Wednesday 12th October	Thursday 13th October	Friday 14th October	
S1 Full	Tuesday 23rd May E/B/H + CfE Level Achieved Progress + Next Steps Comment	Monday 29th May	Tuesday 30th May	Wednesday 31st May	
S2 Parents' Meetings: Wednesday 9th November = Virtual & Tuesday 15th Nov = face-to-face					
S2 Full	Monday 9th January E/B/H + CfE Level Achieved Progress + Next Steps Comment	Tuesday 17th January	Wednesday 18th January	Thursday 19th January	
S2 Tracking	Thursday 4th May CfE Level Achieved + Progress + E/B/H	Wednesday 10th May	Thursday 11th May	Friday 12th May	
S3 Parents' Meeting: Thursday 16th February = face-to-face only					
S3 Tracking	Friday 27th January CfE Level Achieved + Progress + E/B/H	Friday 3rd February	Monday 6th February	Tuesday 7th February	
S3 Full	Friday 17th March E / B / H + CfE Level Next Steps Comment	Friday 24th March	Monday 27th March	Tuesday 28th March	
S3 Achieved	Friday 9th June Literacy & Numeracy ACEL data: CfE Level achieved	Thursday 15th June			
Senior Phase S4 / 5 / 6th	1	Friday 14th October Initial SQA National levels confirmed	Thursday 3rd November	Monday 7th November	Tuesday 8th November
	2	Tracking Report Monday 21st November	Friday 25th November	Monday 28th November	Tuesday 29th November
	3	Full Report Monday 27th February	Monday 6th March	Tuesday 7th March	Thursday 9th March
	4	Final recommended SQA Levels for Parents/Carers Thursday 2nd March	Monday 6th March	Tuesday 7th March	Thursday 9th March
S4/5/6 Parents' Meetings: 1st December (virtual) and 7th December (face-to-face) (Spread S4/5/6 over two evenings) Prelims: Monday 16th January – Monday 6th February (No Study Leave)					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SQA deadline for confirmation of initial entries: Friday 14th October 2022 Final SQA entry levels confirmed to Parents/Carers: Friday 10th March 2023 Final TGS date for Change of Levels: Friday 17th March 2023 Final TGS date for Estimate Grades: Monday 17th April 2023 TGS deadline for Unit only entries: Friday 12th May 2023 SQA deadline for Unit only entries: guaranteed August Certification: Friday 19th May 2023 					

**Teacher dates for Calendar 2022-23:
Tracking, Reporting, Parents' Meetings & SQA Assessments**

Month	Tracking Report	Full Report	Parents' Evening	Summative Assessment
October	S1 Settling-in: October 10 th			
14 th October: Final date for TGS Initial confirmation of SQA National & Higher & AH Levels				
November	S4/5/6: November 21 st		S1 & S2 Virtual: November 9 th S1 & S2 Face-to-face: November 15 th	
7 - 17 th November: S4/5/6 Cause for Concern window				
December			S4/5/6 Virtual: December 1 st S4/5/6 Face-to-face: December 7 th	
January 2022	S3: January 27 th	S2: January 9 th		N5/H/AH Prelims begin Jan 16 th
February		S4/5/6: Monday 27 th February	S3: February 16 th	N5/H/AH Prelims end Feb 6 th
March		S3: March 17 th		
2 nd March: TGS Faculty final spreadsheet confirmation of SQA National, Higher & AH Levels				
April				SQA N5/H/AH exams begin Monday 24 th April
28 th April: TGS Faculty completion of National 1/2/3/4 Courses				
May	S2: May 4 th	S1: May 23 rd		SQA N5/H/AH exams end Wednesday 31 st May
June	S3 ACEL Lit & Num: June 9 th			



**The Gordon Schools Senior Phase
Scottish Qualifications Authority (SQA)**

Coursework and assessment deadlines for our pupils 2022-23

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

Subject	Level	Piece of work to be completed	TGS completion date
Administration and IT	N5	Assignment: 2 sessions in class	March 2023
	H	Coursework: 1 session in class	March 2023
Art & Design	N5	Portfolio	March 2023
	H	Portfolio	March 2023
	AH	Portfolio	22 May 2023
Business Management	N5	Coursework: across Term 3 in class	March 2023
	H	Coursework: across Term 3 in class	March 2023
Drama	N5	Performance Assessment period (Visiting Examiner)	Term 3: after Feb break
	H	Performance Assessment period (Visiting Examiner)	Term 3: after Feb break
	AH	Dissertation	17 April 2023
		Performance Assessment period (Visiting Examiner)	End Term 3 / Beginning of Term 4
Economics	N5	Coursework: during Term 3 in class	By end of Term 3
	H	Coursework: during Term 3 in class	By end of Term 3
English	N5	Folio	03 March 2023
	H	Folio	03 March 2023
	AH	Folio & Dissertation	End of Term 3
French	N5	Speaking Assessment	End of Term 3
	H	Speaking Assessment	End of Term 3
	AH	Speaking Assessment period (Visiting Examiner)	During February 2023
		Folio	End of Term 3
Geography	AH	Dissertation	08 May 2023
German	N5	Speaking Assessment	End of Term 3
	H	Speaking Assessment	End of Term 3
	AH	Speaking Assessment period (Visiting Examiner)	During February 2023
		Folio	End of Term 3
Graphic Communication	N5	Assignment in class (8 hours)	24 March 2023
	H	Assignment in class (8 hours)	24 March 2023
	AH	Assessment task	17 March 2023
History	AH	Dissertation	End of Term 3

Modern Studies	AH	Dissertation	End of Term 3
Music	N5	Performing Assessment period (Visiting Examiner)	Post Mid-Feb Term 3
	H	Performing Assessment period (Visiting Examiner)	Post Mid-Feb Term 3
	AH	Performing Assessment period (Visiting Examiner)	From 17 April
Music Technology	N5	Folio	End of Feb tbc
Photography	NPA	Course Units	21 April 2023
	H	Folio	19 May 2023
Physical Education	N5	Performance	31 March 2023
		Portfolio	31 March 2023
	H	Performance	31 March 2023
Practical Cookery	N5	Assignment	03 March 2023
	N5	Practical Activity	31 March 2023
	N4	Practical Activity	31 March 2023
Practical Woodwork	N5	Course Assessment	24 March 2023
Spanish	N5	Speaking Assessment	End of Term 3
	H	Speaking Assessment	End of Term 3
	AH	Speaking Assessment period (Visiting Examiner)	During February 2023
		Folio	End of Term 3



The Gordon Schools Pupil Council Timeline for meetings for session 2022-23

Week beginning 7 June	New classes formed with timetable change
Week beginning 13 June	Discussion around new Class Reps & Deputes
Week beginning 20 June	Election of new Class Representatives & Deputes
Week beginning 12 September	S1 Pupil Council Elections and S2- S6 vacancies
Week beginning 19 September	Pupil Council Training for all new Representatives
Week beginning 12 September	Preparation for Meeting 1
Thursday 22 September	Meeting 1 (S1/2/3 period 3 and S4/5/6 period 4)
Week beginning 31 October	Preparation for Meeting 2
Wednesday 9 November	Meeting 2 with action points and feedback (S1/2/3 period 2 and S4/5/6 period 3)
Week beginning 28 November	Preparation for Meeting 3 - cancelled
Tuesday 6 December - cancelled	Meeting 3 with action points and feedback (S1/2/3 period 3 and S4/5/6 period 2) - cancelled
Week beginning 16 January	Preparation for Meeting 4
Thursday 26 January	Meeting 4 with action points and feedback (S1/2/3 period 2 and S4/5/6 period 3)
Week beginning 20 February	Preparation for Meeting 5
Wednesday 1 March	Meeting 5 with action points and feedback (S1/2/3 period 3 and S4/5/6 period 2)
Week beginning 20 March	Preparation for Meeting 6
Tuesday 28 March	Meeting 6 with action points and feedback (S1/2/3 period 2 and S4/5/6 period 3)
Week beginning 24 April	Preparation for Meeting 7
Thursday 4 May	Meeting 7 with action points and feedback (S1/2/3 period 3)
Week beginning 22 May	Preparation for Meeting 8
Wednesday 31 May	Meeting 8 with action points and feedback (S1/2/3 period 4)
Week beginning 5 June	New classes formed with timetable change
Week beginning 11 June	Discussion around new Class Reps & Deputes
Week beginning 18 June	Election of new Class Representatives & Deputes

The Gordon Schools Vision



At The Gordon Schools, we have a living Vision that guides our everyday actions and expectations. It is a statement that embodies the values of what we are trying to be and do as a School community.

An easy way to remember our Vision is using the initials of our School: T G S

Our **Vision** is:

Together Growing Succeeding

Together:

Is about treating one another positively, kindly and with respect. We all feel included as a part of our School community, the local Huntly community and the north-east, national and global world.

Our actions here affect other local, national and international communities. We must consider what consequences our actions will have on others around us and on the sustainability of our environment, both locally and globally.

Growing:

We need everyone to value and look after their health & wellbeing. This includes our physical, mental, emotional and spiritual health.

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

Succeeding:

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 success! At TGS we want you to be proud of the efforts you make towards your achievements and successes and we will celebrate all of this with you.