

Monifieth High School – Maths Courses 2021

S1 – S4

The majority of our pupils follow a common course covering Level 3 and Level 4/National 4 in S1, S2 and the early part of S3. Class teachers will differentiate to ensure individual pupils receive appropriate challenge or support.

Each year our associated primary schools give us names of 10 - 20% of their P7 pupils who they feel need extra support in Maths. With these pupils we aim to consolidate Level 2 and complete Level 3 by November of S3 in preparation for National 4. Every year some of these pupils exceed our expectation and move in to classes where the work is more demanding.

The majority of pupils will finish Level 4/National 4 in November of S3. We will assess them all at this point before starting National 5 work. At the end of the first Unit of National 5 in April of S3 we will assess everyone again. If a pupil has a secure knowledge of Level 4/ National 4 work and has made a promising start on National 5 they will sit National 5 in S4. If a pupil has not met these criteria they will be advised to defer sitting National 5 until S5 and will spend the remainder of S3 and S4 making sure they will get a National 4 qualification and doing some National 5 work.

Pupils sitting National 5 in S4 will get a prelim exam, usually in February of S4. A few pupils may be struggling at this stage will be advised to defer sitting National 5 until S5.

(UPDATE: Our S1 Maths course was revised from August 2021. Pupils starting in S1 after this date will cover a more focussed version of Level 3 in S1 and a streamlined version Level 4 in S2 after this date to allow new options in S3 and S4).

S5 and S6

About 40% of our pupils will sit Higher Maths in S5 and some may choose to complete Advanced Higher in S6. Some pupils will complete National 5 or re-sit it in S5 and may proceed to Higher in S6.

(UPDATE: Some pupils may choose to sit Applications of Maths at National 5 in S5 or S6. This course has greater emphasis on statistics and finance).

Year	Mainstream			Extra Support
S1	CfE Level 3			CfE Level 2/3 Pupils may move classes to ensure they are receiving an appropriate level of challenge or support
S2				
S3	CfE Level 4/National 4			CfE Level 3 National 4 (or National 3 if necessary)
	November - End of Level 4 Assessment			
	Start National 5 Maths course			
	April – Assessment of first unit of National 5			
S4	Continue with National 5, sitting the exam in S4		Defer presentation at National 5 until S5 SQA National 4 qualification	
S5	Higher		Two Year Higher	Complete the National 5 course and sit (or re-sit) the exam <i>(Or National 5 Applications of Maths)</i>
S6	AH	Resit H		Higher in S6 Re-sit N5 <i>Switch to Applications</i>