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School Roll Forecasts.

Report by Executive Director of Education, Leisure and Housing.

1. Purpose of Report

To present the School Roll Forecasts for academic years 2021 to 2026.

2. Recommendations

The Committee is invited to note:

2.1.

The School Roll Forecasts, attached at Appendix 1 to this report, which are based on information the Council has available in respect of the following matters:

- Current school rolls.
- Demographic forecasts and estimates.
- Births data.
- Migration data.
- School transfer requests.
- Housing development completion estimates.

3. Background

3.1.

School roll forecasts estimate the size of a school's population a number of years in advance and are useful for planning the required staffing resources, school estate, catchment area revisions and potential challenges that may emerge from particularly large or small year groups.

3.2.

While useful, school roll forecasts are estimates based upon available information at the time of the forecast. This is particularly true for smaller schools where the addition or loss of a single family with children can have a significant impact upon the school roll. Therefore, school roll forecasting is not an exact science.

3.3.

The forecasts focus on the number of pupils within each school. Separate work is being undertaken within the Education, Leisure and Housing Service to assess the impacts of the increased requirement for early years support that councils need to provide. Therefore, the low capacity utilisation percentages in some schools will be offset as pupils require additional time within their particular establishment.

4. School Roll Forecasts

4.1.

The School Roll Forecasts, attached at Appendix 1 to this report, outline the estimated school rolls for each of Orkney's primary, junior high and secondary schools covering the academic years commencing August 2021 through to July 2026, with reference to current and historic school rolls.

4.2.

The detailed forecasts outline the number of pupils in each class and school, dividing the school up between early years and primaries one to seven. The forecasts compare results to previous years, the capacity of the school in terms of current staffing and building capacity.

4.3.

Of the larger Mainland primary schools, Papdale is forecast to see the only real increase in roll. Glaitness, Dounby and St Andrews primaries are forecast to see very slight increases in their rolls. Stromness is forecast to see a slight drop in their total roll figures.

4.4.

For the 2021 projections, all the children attending early years education in the Papdale catchment area projections, includes both Papdale Primary School and The Strynd nursery. The vast majority of these children go on to attend Papdale Primary School.

4.5.

As well as forecasting the children coming into each school from entry through early years provision, a figure has also been developed to reflect net-migration, transfer requests and new build housing completions that may bring additional families into the catchment area using data covering the last 14 years.

4.6.

The smaller Mainland primary schools of St Margaret's Hope, Burray and Stenness are all forecast to see minimal changes in their roll. Evie is forecast to see a drop of five pupils and Firth, a drop of 12 pupils from the current 2020 school roll figure. Orphir is forecast to see an increase in roll, with an estimated 11 extra pupils from current levels.

4.7.

Burray is forecast to go beyond the P1 to P7 capacity as early as 2021/22. However, this is estimated to be a short to medium-term issue as four comparatively large class groups are moving through the school and forecasts show that they will be replaced with slightly smaller classes starting at the school. However, birth figures are strong in Burray and this may increase pressure.

4.8.

It is significantly harder to develop robust forecasts for isles schools due to size. An addition or loss of a single family can impact upon the forecasts significantly. This volatility is evidenced by the historical migration, transfers and new build figures for many of the isles schools which show both positive and negative year to year levels of change that match larger Mainland Orkney schools.

4.9.

In terms of the Isles primary schools, Stronsay Primary is forecast to see a slight increase in roll over the period. Eday and Papa Westray are forecast to remain around current levels. North Ronaldsay now has primary school aged children and is forecast to retain children throughout the forecast period. However, Westray primary, Sanday primary and Shapinsay in particular, along with Rousay and North Walls are forecast to see a decline in their rolls. The roll in Sanday primary is forecast to drop from the current roll of 35 by 17 pupils to 18 in 2025/26, while the roll in Shapinsay is forecast to see a drop of 7 pupils from the current 2020 school roll to 11 by 2025/26 . These are particularly significant figures.

4.10.

Figures for the two Mainland Orkney secondary schools show rolls rising initially in both schools, before dropping back towards the end of the forecast period. There is however forecast to be quite large reductions in the number of secondary one to secondary four pupils in both schools over the forecast period.

4.11.

Of the three island junior high schools, only Stronsay secondary element is forecast to remain around current levels with quite significant declines forecast for Westray and Sanday secondary elements. The secondary roll in Sanday, in particular, is forecast to increase to 33 pupils in 2021/22, before dropping as low as 12 pupils by 2026/27. The secondary element in Westray is forecast to see a decline from 35 pupils to 21 by 2026/27.

4.12.

The forecasts show that there is some available capacity within Orkney's schools, the main areas of pressure are around Kirkwall.

5. Links to Council Plan

5.1.

The proposals in this report support and contribute to improved outcomes for communities as outlined in the Council Plan strategic priority of Thriving Communities.

5.2.

The proposal in this report links directly to priority 3.4, We will maintain and improve the quality and condition of the school estates, of the Council Delivery Plan.

6. Links to Local Outcomes Improvement Plan

The proposals in this report support and contribute to improved outcomes for communities as outlined in the Local Outcomes Improvement Plan priority of Strong Communities.

7. Financial Implications

There are no direct financial implications arising from this noting report.

8. Legal Aspects

There are no direct legal implications arising from this report.

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10. Appendix

Appendix 1 – School Roll Forecasts 2021.

Orkney Islands Council 2021 School Roll Forecasts

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Introduction

School roll forecasting allows the Council to plan ahead in terms of potential school development, staffing requirements and class sizes. Analysis has been undertaken on all of Orkney's 17 primary schools, three junior high schools and two secondary schools.

School roll forecasting is important in relation to forward planning for staffing as well as capital programmes. The changes that are being introduced to early years' education, with the increased requirement for additional hours for 2-year olds, adds to the need for the Council to have an estimate of the number of children who are expected to come through Orkney's schools and early years' centres.

Methodology

Forecasts are developed yearly utilising the most up to date data available and focus on the current academic year and a further five years into the future. Some local authorities forecast up to 10 years ahead, however, with the average size of Orkney's schools being well below the national average and varying from three in Papa Westray to 518 at Papdale Primary School in Kirkwall, it was felt that a longer-range forecast would not be robust for the majority of Orkney's primary schools. Officers will continue to investigate options to increase the length of forecasts while retaining their robustness.

For the 2021 Forecasts a figure has been calculated for the net change in a school roll owing to migration, transfer requests and new build housing. This approach allows an improved figure to be utilised for the estimated net change to a school roll from new build housing in the area, as well as the transfer of pupils to other schools within Orkney and the "in and out" migration of pupils to and from Orkney. This offers a more robust approach which takes account of the changes in school rolls from factors not associated with new junior classes and senior leavers. However, year to year figures can fluctuate significantly and, while the average figures used for projection years hopefully balance out over the period, there is the potential for deviation on a year by year basis.

National Records of Scotland (NRS) 2018 based population forecasts are utilised, alongside birth data for the last 17 years, to estimate the number of children that will join each primary school through early years' classes. Some of the historic early years' figures may be higher than the corresponding capacity limits of the schools in question. These schools were not oversubscribed, rather the early years' pupils attended on a part-time basis, so more children could be accommodated within the defined capacity. Historic figures for the Papdale catchment area do not include children attending either the Strynd or Peedie Breeks nurseries. This leads to what looks like a large increase in 2015/16.

The Forecasts are displayed on a school-by-school basis and there is a higher degree of confidence for Mainland Orkney schools, as these schools are less likely to see major changes in roll than smaller island schools, the majority of which have fewer than 40 pupils and may see a significant change in roll if a single large family either moves to or leaves the island.

The methodology for secondary school forecasts utilises the Primary 7 leavers of each primary school in the relevant catchment area, as well as an average figure for migration to and from the area, transfer requests and new build housing.

Results Overview

The Forecasts from 2021/22 show a decrease in the overall roll by around 76 pupils to 2025/26. These figures compare relatively well to the National Records of Scotland (NRS) 2016 Based Population Projections which also show a decline in the number of young people in this age category, albeit that the numbers do not match up perfectly between the two sets of forecasts. The Council expects Orkney to still have a strong net in-migration from other areas over the coming years, which will in turn boost pupil numbers.

Figure 1 – Total Early Years and Primary School Numbers 2009/10 through to 2025/26

Year	ELC	P1 - P7	Net migration etc	Total (including net migration)	2016 NRS Comparison	Difference between total & 2016 NRS
2009/10	319	1377	27	1696	N/A	N/A
2010/11	342	1368	19	1710	N/A	N/A
2011/12	320	1370	-4	1690	N/A	N/A
2012/13	323	1365	20	1688	N/A	N/A
2013/14	337	1455	17	1792	N/A	N/A
2014/15	334	1514	21	1848	N/A	N/A
2015/16	450	1539	18	1989	N/A	N/A
2016/17	457	1581	27	2065	2098	33
2017/18	462	1593	25	2080	2077	-3
2018/19	432	1579	19	2030	2066	36
2019/20	469	1573	31	2073	2016	-57
2020/21	470	1555	-7	2018	1980	-38
2021/22	460	1557	18	2035	1937	-98
2022/23	445	1556	18	2019	1914	-105
2023/24	412	1554	18	1984	1872	-112
2024/25	387	1564	18	1969	1873	-96
2025/26	408	1533	18	1959	1874	-85

Figures for secondary school pupils are calculated for the two Mainland secondary schools and the three Isles junior high schools, with yearly totals laid out in Figure 2 below.

Figure 2 - Total Secondary School Numbers 2009/10 through to 2026/27

	Kirkwall Grammar School	Stromness Academy	Westray Junior High	Sanday Junior High	Stronsay Junior High	Total Secondary	NRS Comparison	Difference to NRS	% Difference to NRS
2009/10	862	420	33	33	27	1,375	1,670	295	21%
2010/11	884	409	27	26	25	1,371	1,640	269	20%
2011/12	830	404	20	17	25	1,296	1,604	308	24%
2012/13	792	391	13	17	25	1,238	1,532	294	24%
2013/14	763	366	16	20	23	1,188	1,455	267	22%
2014/15	734	364	17	19	14	1,148	1,399	251	22%
2015/16	721	352	18	22	13	1,126	1,327	201	18%
2016/17	721	350	15	21	11	1,118	1,328	210	19%
2017/18	756	333	14	21	15	1,139	1,322	183	16%
2018/19	802	343	25	24	11	1,205	1,363	158	13%
2019/20	813	328	34	30	11	1,216	1,407	191	16%
2020/21	841	336	35	24	12	1,248	1,440	192	15%
2021/22	861	355	33	31	11	1,291	1,477	186	14%
2022/23	893	375	30	27	13	1,338	1,502	164	12%
2023/24	896	363	30	25	14	1,327	1,518	191	14%
2024/25	864	352	23	18	13	1,271	1,512	241	19%
2025/26	855	358	27	15	15	1,270	1,489	219	17%
2026/27	841	344	21	12	13	1,231	1,444	213	17%

As can be seen the number of secondary school pupils has dropped by over 125 pupils between 2009/10 and 2020/21. The figures show an initial forecasted increase of 90 pupils by 2023, before dropping back to around current levels.

There is a disconnect between the schools' totals and NRS figures, but this is to be expected as not all young people stay in school beyond 16. The average historic difference between school totals and NRS figures is 19% between 2007/08 and 2020/21. The difference between the forecast figures and NRS projections averages at 16%. Figure 3 below outlines the S1 to S4 pupil numbers across the junior highs and secondary schools.

Figure 3 - Secondary 1 to Secondary 4 School Numbers 2007/08 to 2026/27

	Kirkwall Grammar School	Stromness Academy	Westray junior High	Sanday Junior High	Stronsay Junior High	Total S1 - S4	NRS Comparison	Difference to NRS	% Difference to NRS
2009/10	638	329	33	33	27	1060	1118	58	5%
2010/11	627	300	27	26	25	1005	1072	67	7%
2011/12	578	297	20	17	25	937	1035	98	10%
2012/13	530	280	13	17	25	865	975	110	13%
2013/14	524	261	16	20	23	844	908	64	8%
2014/15	496	257	17	19	14	803	889	86	11%
2015/16	509	242	18	22	13	804	849	45	6%
2016/17	524	249	15	21	11	820	860	40	5%
2017/18	550	240	14	21	15	840	895	55	7%
2018/19	603	249	25	24	11	912	919	7	1%
2019/20	606	261	34	30	11	942	965	23	2%
2020/21	634	261	35	24	12	966	1,007	41	4%
2021/22	633	274	33	31	11	983	1,016	33	3%
2022/23	590	274	30	27	13	934	1,007	73	8%
2023/24	595	264	30	25	14	927	1,010	83	9%
2024/25	578	261	23	18	13	893	990	97	11%
2025/26	576	259	27	15	15	892	972	80	9%
2026/27	579	236	21	12	13	861	952	91	11%

Secondary 1 to Secondary 4 pupil numbers are forecast to drop by around 120 over the six-year forecast period. The NRS projections also show a decline in this age group and the comparison between the school roll forecasts and the NRS projections are much closer for this age group, who will almost all still be in full time education. The difference in the historic average between 2007/08 and 2020/21 is 6%, while the average difference over the five years of the forecasts is 8%.

Detailed Results

Large Mainland Primary Schools

The tables below outline the school roll forecasts for the larger Mainland Orkney primary schools of Papdale, Glaitness, Dounby, St Andrew's and Stromness.

Papdale Catchment Area Totals

	Nursery	Pre-school	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	Migration etc	ELC Total	Total P1 - P7	Overall Total	Capacity (ELC)	Capacity (P1 - P7)	ELC % of Capacity	P1 - P7 % of capacity
2013/14	0	74	59	60	65	51	51	66	51	-1	74	403	477	64	603	116%	67%
2014/15	0	74	58	57	60	64	57	52	71	9	74	419	493	64	603	116%	69%
2015/16	52	75	63	58	58	62	65	59	50	4	127	415	542	64	603	198%	69%
2016/17	53	70	73	63	60	60	65	70	59	12	123	450	573	64	603	192%	75%
2017/18	51	72	61	71	62	64	61	69	70	6	123	458	581	64	603	192%	76%
2018/19	48	65	60	62	70	61	63	61	71	0	113	448	561	64	603	177%	74%
2019/20	52	73	66	65	66	73	64	63	61	15	125	458	583	64	603	195%	76%
2020/21	60	71	63	64	61	64	71	62	63	-12	131	448	579	118	603	111%	74%
2021/22	64	70	71	63	64	61	64	71	62	2	134	456	593	118	603	114%	76%
2022/23	60	75	70	71	63	64	61	64	71	2	135	464	604	118	603	114%	77%
2023/24	67	70	75	70	71	63	64	61	64	2	137	468	612	118	603	116%	78%
2024/25	65	78	70	75	70	71	63	64	61	2	143	474	627	118	603	122%	79%
2025/26	65	76	78	70	75	70	71	63	64	2	141	492	645	118	603	120%	82%

Glaitness School Totals

	Nursery	Pre-school	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	Migration etc	ELC Total	Total P1 - P7	Overall Total	Capacity (ELC)	Capacity (P1 - P7)	ELC % of Capacity	P1 - P7 % of capacity
2013/14	11	31	31	24	38	32	23	25	34	12	42	207	249	30	238	140%	87%
2014/15	16	31	26	28	20	41	30	22	25	-7	47	192	239	45	238	104%	81%
2015/16	20	38	23	27	27	20	40	27	22	-4	58	186	244	45	238	129%	78%
2016/17	18	34	25	21	30	25	21	38	29	0	52	189	241	45	238	116%	79%
2017/18	22	32	25	27	22	28	27	19	41	4	54	189	243	45	238	120%	79%
2018/19	37	30	27	24	30	18	30	29	20	3	67	178	245	45	238	149%	75%
2019/20	29	45	27	28	26	32	18	32	29	7	74	192	266	54	238	137%	81%
2020/21	34	34	39	30	28	26	32	19	31	3	68	205	273	80	238	85%	86%
2021/22	31	38	34	39	30	28	26	32	19	4	69	208	281	80	238	86%	87%
2022/23	25	31	38	34	39	30	28	26	32	4	56	227	291	80	238	70%	95%
2023/24	23	29	31	38	34	39	30	28	26	4	52	226	290	80	238	65%	95%
2024/25	21	27	29	31	38	34	39	30	28	4	48	229	294	80	238	60%	96%
2025/26	21	25	27	29	31	38	34	39	30	4	46	228	295	80	238	57%	96%

St Andrews School Totals

	Nursery	Pre-school	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	Migration etc	ELC Total	Total P1 - P7	Overall Total	Capacity (ELC)	Capacity (P1 - P7)	ELC % of Capacity	P1 - P7 % of capacity
2013/14	11	22	23	35	26	26	15	16	16	-3	33	157	190	30	199	110%	79%
2014/15	10	29	21	27	39	24	30	18	19	16	39	178	217	30	199	130%	89%
2015/16	23	26	22	22	29	41	24	30	17	4	49	185	234	30	199	163%	93%
2016/17	23	29	21	21	23	29	41	25	28	-1	52	188	240	30	199	173%	94%
2017/18	13	28	20	21	22	21	28	39	22	-7	41	173	214	30	199	137%	87%
2018/19	13	19	27	20	21	22	22	27	39	0	32	178	210	30	199	107%	89%
2019/20	25	19	22	27	21	24	23	26	28	10	44	171	215	30	199	147%	86%
2020/21	22	33	17	22	26	23	25	23	26	2	55	162	217	48	232	115%	70%
2021/22	17	26	33	17	22	26	23	25	23	3	43	169	215	48	232	89%	73%
2022/23	22	20	26	33	17	22	26	23	25	3	42	172	219	48	232	87%	74%
2023/24	19	26	20	26	33	17	22	26	23	3	45	167	220	48	232	93%	72%
2024/25	19	22	26	20	26	33	17	22	26	3	41	169	222	48	232	86%	73%
2025/26	19	23	22	26	20	26	33	17	22	3	42	166	222	48	232	87%	71%

Dounby School Totals

	Nursery	Pre-school	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	Migration etc	ELC Total	Total P1 - P7	Overall Total	Capacity (ELC)	Capacity (P1 - P7)	ELC % of Capacity	P1 - P7 % of capacity
2013/14	10	31	25	15	21	18	25	14	18	-3	41	136	177	30	209	137%	65%
2014/15	8	28	28	24	14	21	18	26	13	-2	36	144	180	30	209	120%	69%
2015/16	20	22	18	26	24	15	21	21	25	1	42	150	192	30	209	140%	72%
2016/17	18	24	19	19	26	23	16	21	20	0	42	144	186	30	209	140%	69%
2017/18	14	31	14	18	20	26	22	16	20	-2	45	136	181	30	209	150%	65%
2018/19	14	26	21	14	18	19	26	22	15	-2	40	135	175	30	209	133%	65%
2019/20	13	24	16	21	14	17	19	25	23	-1	37	135	172	30	209	123%	65%
2020/21	17	23	14	18	20	14	17	19	24	0	40	126	166	45	209	89%	60%
2021/22	19	20	23	14	18	20	14	17	19	0	39	125	164	45	209	86%	60%
2022/23	18	22	20	23	14	18	20	14	17	0	40	126	166	45	209	89%	60%
2023/24	9	21	22	20	23	14	18	20	14	0	30	131	162	45	209	67%	63%
2024/25	18	11	21	22	20	23	14	18	20	0	29	138	167	45	209	63%	66%
2025/26	18	21	11	21	22	20	23	14	18	0	39	129	169	45	209	87%	62%

Stromness School Totals

	Nursery	Pre-school	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	Migration etc	ELC Total	Total P1 - P7	Overall Total	Capacity (ELC)	Capacity (P1 - P7)	ELC % of Capacity	P1 - P7 % of capacity
2013/14	12	29	18	22	23	14	15	19	20	-1	41	131	172	30	217	137%	60%
2014/15	12	23	23	16	22	22	13	16	20	-2	35	132	167	40	217	88%	61%
2015/16	21	30	23	24	16	22	22	13	18	3	51	138	189	40	217	128%	64%
2016/17	17	27	19	24	21	17	22	24	13	1	44	140	184	40	217	110%	65%
2017/18	18	23	25	19	24	21	17	25	23	2	41	154	195	40	217	103%	71%
2018/19	17	23	20	25	19	25	22	18	24	2	40	153	193	40	217	100%	71%
2019/20	16	23	18	18	25	17	25	19	18	-7	39	140	179	40	217	98%	65%
2020/21	16	19	20	18	17	25	16	26	18	-2	35	140	175	45	217	78%	65%
2021/22	16	19	19	20	18	17	25	16	26	0	35	141	175	45	217	77%	65%
2022/23	16	19	19	19	20	18	17	25	16	0	35	134	168	45	217	77%	62%
2023/24	13	19	19	19	19	20	18	17	25	0	32	136	167	45	217	70%	63%
2024/25	18	15	19	19	19	19	20	18	17	0	33	130	162	45	217	74%	60%
2025/26	18	21	15	19	19	19	19	20	18	0	39	128	166	45	217	87%	59%

The figures outlined above show increases in the roll for the two Kirkwall primary schools, with a sizeable jump for Papdale. Dounby and St Andrews Primaries are forecast to see minimal change over the period, while Stromness Primary School is forecast to see a reduction in its roll. Forecast changes range from -5% in Stromness to 10% in Papdale, or from a reduction of around 9 pupils to an increase of 66. In terms of school capacities, pressure appears to be around early years' provision rather than P1 to P7. The Papdale catchment area early years' figures include all early years' provision within the Papdale catchment area, not just the pupils based at Papdale Primary School and these settings are forecast to be particularly pressured over the period.

Net migration, new build and placing request figures show huge swings from year to year, with Papdale Primary Schools figures for 2019/20 and 2020/21 being a good example. Average net-migration, new build and placing request figures have been used for future years which will hopefully balance out the peaks and troughs, but these figures are the hardest to model and predict and can impact the forecast figures significantly on a year by year basis.

Kirkwall is the area of primary pressure for housing development and the significant housing land allocation and demand for housing in and around Kirkwall may provide additional pressure over the coming years. While there is still capacity in both Glaitness and Papdale, the amount of new build housing that may be developed over the coming years and the continued draw of families to the core of Kirkwall may well increase the pressure on these two schools.

Small Mainland Primary Schools

The six tables below outline the forecasts for the smaller Mainland, Burray and South Ronaldsay schools.

St Margaret's Hope School Totals

	Nursery	Pre-school	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	Migration etc	ELC Total	Total P1 - P7	Overall Total	Capacity (ELC)	Capacity (P1 - P7)	ELC % of Capacity	P1 - P7 % of capacity
2013/14	7	16	8	6	11	13	8	8	6	2	23	60	83	26	75	88%	80%
2014/15	5	16	11	9	7	13	13	9	9	6	21	71	92	26	75	81%	95%
2015/16	7	14	13	11	9	8	15	12	11	4	21	79	100	20	75	105%	105%
2016/17	8	6	13	14	12	12	9	15	13	7	14	88	102	20	75	70%	117%
2017/18	7	9	6	13	15	12	11	8	16	0	16	81	97	20	75	80%	108%
2018/19	5	8	9	7	14	14	12	11	8	1	13	75	88	20	75	65%	100%
2019/20	6	8	5	9	7	10	15	11	12	-3	14	69	83	20	75	70%	92%
2020/21	10	8	7	5	10	7	10	15	12	2	18	66	84	20	75	90%	88%
2021/22	4	12	8	7	5	10	7	10	15	1	16	62	79	20	75	79%	83%
2022/23	8	5	12	8	7	5	10	7	10	1	13	59	74	30	75	42%	78%
2023/24	9	9	5	12	8	7	5	10	7	1	18	53	76	30	75	61%	71%
2024/25	8	11	9	5	12	8	7	5	10	1	19	56	80	30	75	62%	74%
2025/26	8	9	11	9	5	12	8	7	5	1	17	56	80	30	75	58%	75%

Burray School Totals

	Nursery	Pre-school	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	Migration etc	ELC Total	Total P1 - P7	Overall Total	Capacity (ELC)	Capacity (P1 - P7)	ELC % of Capacity	P1 - P7 % of capacity
2013/14	0	0	0	0	4	0	1	3	0	-1	0	8	8	10	50	0%	16%
2014/15	4	3	3	0	0	4	0	1	4	1	7	12	19	10	50	70%	24%
2015/16	10	6	4	3	0	0	5	0	1	1	16	13	29	10	50	160%	26%
2016/17	7	13	7	5	3	1	0	5	0	2	20	21	41	10	50	200%	42%
2017/18	8	8	10	6	6	3	2	1	5	2	16	33	49	10	50	160%	66%
2018/19	4	8	9	10	6	7	3	3	1	2	12	39	51	10	50	120%	78%
2019/20	2	10	7	9	10	6	6	3	3	-1	12	44	56	12	50	100%	88%
2020/21	3	8	6	8	9	9	7	5	3	0	11	47	58	12	50	92%	94%
2021/22	5	4	8	6	8	9	9	7	5	1	9	52	61	12	50	71%	104%
2022/23	8	6	4	8	6	8	9	9	7	1	14	51	66	12	50	115%	101%
2023/24	1	9	6	4	8	6	8	9	9	1	10	49	62	12	50	86%	99%
2024/25	4	1	9	6	4	8	6	8	9	1	5	50	57	12	50	43%	99%
2025/26	4	5	1	9	6	4	8	6	8	1	9	42	55	12	50	72%	84%

Orphir School Totals

	Nursery	Pre-school	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	Migration etc	ELC Total	Total P1 - P7	Overall Total	Capacity (ELC)	Capacity (P1 - P7)	ELC % of Capacity	P1 - P7 % of capacity
2013/14	1	8	6	7	5	8	9	5	2	0	9	42	51	15	75	60%	56%
2014/15	0	5	10	7	7	6	8	7	5	0	5	50	55	15	75	33%	67%
2015/16	6	6	3	10	7	7	6	9	9	3	12	51	63	15	75	80%	68%
2016/17	5	6	4	3	11	7	6	7	8	0	11	46	57	15	75	73%	61%
2017/18	1	8	3	5	3	11	8	7	8	4	9	45	54	15	75	60%	60%
2018/19	3	3	6	3	5	3	11	8	7	0	6	43	49	15	75	40%	57%
2019/20	3	9	3	6	3	5	3	10	7	-2	12	37	49	15	75	80%	49%
2020/21	7	3	7	3	6	3	5	3	10	0	10	37	47	15	75	67%	49%
2021/22	5	8	3	7	3	6	3	5	3	1	13	30	44	15	75	88%	40%
2022/23	5	6	8	3	7	3	6	3	5	1	11	35	48	15	75	72%	47%
2023/24	7	6	6	8	3	7	3	6	3	1	13	36	52	15	75	86%	48%
2024/25	5	8	6	6	8	3	7	3	6	1	13	39	57	15	75	88%	52%
2025/26	5	6	8	6	6	8	3	7	3	1	11	41	58	15	75	72%	55%

Stenness School Totals

	Nursery	Pre-school	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	Migration etc	ELC Total	Total P1 - P7	Overall Total	Capacity (ELC)	Capacity (P1 - P7)	ELC % of Capacity	P1 - P7 % of capacity
2013/14	3	3	3	4	6	5	4	1	5	1	6	28	34	15	75	40%	37%
2014/15	0	4	3	5	4	8	6	4	1	5	4	31	35	15	75	27%	41%
2015/16	3	5	4	4	5	6	8	7	5	5	8	39	47	15	75	53%	52%
2016/17	1	7	0	4	4	4	7	7	9	1	8	35	43	15	75	53%	47%
2017/18	1	3	7	0	5	4	4	7	9	3	4	36	40	15	75	27%	48%
2018/19	4	2	3	8	0	5	4	4	5	-1	6	29	35	15	75	40%	39%
2019/20	2	6	3	3	9	2	6	8	5	9	8	36	44	15	75	53%	48%
2020/21	2	5	6	3	3	9	2	6	9	1	7	38	45	15	75	47%	51%
2021/22	4	2	5	6	3	3	9	2	6	2	6	34	43	15	75	42%	45%
2022/23	2	5	2	5	6	3	3	9	2	2	7	30	41	15	75	45%	40%
2023/24	4	2	5	2	5	6	3	3	9	2	6	33	46	15	75	42%	44%
2024/25	3	5	2	5	2	5	6	3	3	2	8	26	43	15	75	51%	35%
2025/26	3	4	5	2	5	2	5	6	3	2	7	28	46	15	75	43%	37%

Evie School Totals

	Nursery	Pre-school	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	Migration etc	ELC Total	Total P1 - P7	Overall Total	Capacity (ELC)	Capacity (P1 - P7)	ELC % of Capacity	P1 - P7 % of capacity
2013/14	5	10	7	10	1	10	8	7	6	1	15	49	64	20	75	75%	65%
2014/15	5	9	8	7	10	1	9	9	7	0	14	51	65	20	75	70%	68%
2015/16	5	5	9	8	6	9	1	8	9	-3	10	50	60	20	75	50%	67%
2016/17	7	5	4	8	8	5	7	2	7	-4	12	41	53	20	75	60%	55%
2017/18	3	14	3	4	7	7	3	8	2	-3	17	34	51	20	75	85%	45%
2018/19	9	6	11	5	4	9	7	4	10	7	15	50	65	20	75	75%	67%
2019/20	4	11	6	12	5	5	9	9	4	4	15	50	65	20	75	75%	67%
2020/21	5	9	6	7	11	5	5	9	9	0	14	52	66	20	75	70%	69%
2021/22	8	6	9	6	7	11	5	5	9	0	14	52	66	20	75	69%	69%
2022/23	3	9	6	9	6	7	11	5	5	0	12	49	61	20	75	62%	65%
2023/24	5	4	9	6	9	6	7	11	5	0	9	53	61	20	75	43%	71%
2024/25	7	6	4	9	6	9	6	7	11	0	13	52	64	20	75	64%	69%
2025/26	7	8	6	4	9	6	9	6	7	0	15	47	61	20	75	76%	62%

Firth School Totals

	Nursery	Pre-school	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	Migration etc	ELC Total	Total P1 - P7	Overall Total	Capacity (ELC)	Capacity (P1 - P7)	ELC % of Capacity	P1 - P7 % of capacity
2013/14	6	15	14	7	12	7	10	10	8	3	21	68	89	20	98	105%	69%
2014/15	6	13	11	13	8	14	7	8	9	-1	19	70	89	30	98	63%	71%
2015/16	10	12	11	11	13	8	14	8	9	2	22	74	96	30	98	73%	76%
2016/17	7	13	10	10	12	13	8	12	8	-2	20	73	93	30	98	67%	74%
2017/18	7	15	9	11	11	10	12	8	14	1	22	75	97	30	98	73%	77%
2018/19	8	8	15	8	10	16	10	11	8	2	16	78	94	30	98	53%	80%
2019/20	12	12	8	14	7	8	15	8	11	-7	24	71	95	30	98	80%	72%
2020/21	11	12	13	7	14	7	8	14	8	-2	23	71	94	30	98	77%	72%
2021/22	3	13	12	13	7	14	7	8	14	0	16	75	91	30	98	53%	77%
2022/23	10	4	13	12	13	7	14	7	8	0	14	74	88	30	98	45%	75%
2023/24	5	12	4	13	12	13	7	14	7	0	17	69	87	30	98	56%	71%
2024/25	7	6	12	4	13	12	13	7	14	0	13	74	88	30	98	43%	76%
2025/26	7	8	6	12	4	13	12	13	7	0	15	66	82	30	98	51%	67%

The tables above show drops in the school roll for four of the six smaller Mainland and Linked South Isles schools, with only Orphir showing a real increase. The total at Burray increases, before dropping away, while Stenness sees a sustained reduction in numbers, before recovering. Firth sees the largest decline, followed by Evie. Early years' intakes are expected to remain steady, however, unless there is an increase in early years' intake at Firth Primary the roll may drop further in the years beyond the projection due to a number of larger year groups moving through the school and being replaced with smaller year groups.

Significant housing development in the Burray catchment area is not recommended over the duration of the five-year forecast. The Strategic Housing Investment Plan will reflect the temporary capacity issues at Burray and focus any new social and affordable family housing development for 2023/24 onwards when the school roll once again begins to drop. There are no capacity concerns at the other five schools.

The only school expected to have any capacity issues over the forecast period is Burray and this is forecast to be a short-term issue covering two years. Because of this there are no real concerns about the development of additional housing in any of the smaller Mainland and Linked South isles catchment areas. In fact, development should be encouraged to help support school rolls and communities in these areas.

Isles Primary Schools

The tables below outline the forecasts for the Isles primary schools. Figures for the three Junior High Schools of Westray, Sanday and Stronsay are split, with the primary element being shown here and the secondary element in a later section.

Forecasting for small schools like those in the isles is very difficult and rolls can change significantly if a single family moves into or away from the island. So, while the figures outlined below are as robust as possible, there is the possibility that the actual totals could vary significantly from those outlined.

Westray School Totals

	Nursery	Pre-school	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	Migration etc	ELC Total	Total P1 - P7	Overall Total	Capacity (ELC)	Capacity (P1 - P7)	ELC % of Capacity	P1 - P7 % of capacity
2013/14	2	6	5	6	10	5	1	3	5	1	8	35	43	16	75	50%	47%
2014/15	2	9	6	5	7	10	4	1	2	-1	11	35	46	16	75	69%	47%
2015/16	5	6	9	6	6	6	10	4	1	0	11	42	53	16	75	69%	56%
2016/17	2	6	5	9	7	6	7	10	4	2	8	48	58	16	75	50%	64%
2017/18	3	14	4	5	10	6	5	6	10	-2	17	46	61	16	75	106%	61%
2018/19	5	7	6	4	5	11	6	6	6	2	12	44	58	16	75	75%	59%
2019/20	3	10	5	7	4	7	11	6	7	4	13	47	66	16	75	81%	63%
2020/21	2	5	10	5	7	4	7	10	4	-3	7	47	54	16	75	44%	63%
2021/22	7	2	5	10	5	7	4	7	10	0	9	48	57	16	75	58%	64%
2022/23	3	8	2	5	10	5	7	4	7	0	11	40	51	16	75	70%	54%
2023/24	1	4	8	2	5	10	5	7	4	0	5	42	46	16	75	28%	55%
2024/25	5	1	4	8	2	5	10	5	7	0	6	41	47	16	75	39%	55%
2025/26	5	6	1	4	8	2	5	10	5	0	11	35	46	16	75	68%	47%

Stronsay School Totals

	Nursery	Pre-school	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	Migration etc	Total ELC	Total P1 - P7	Overall Total	Capacity (ELC)	Capacity (P1 - P7)	ELC % of Capacity	P1 - P7 % of capacity
2013/14	2	0	4	0	3	2	6	2	1	-3	2	18	20	8	75	25%	24%
2014/15	1	3	1	3	3	3	2	5	3	2	4	20	24	8	75	50%	27%
2015/16	3	2	1	1	4	2	3	2	5	0	5	18	23	8	75	63%	24%
2016/17	1	3	2	1	0	4	3	3	2	0	4	15	19	8	75	50%	20%
2017/18	3	2	3	4	3	0	6	3	3	6	5	22	27	8	75	63%	29%
2018/19	1	5	2	3	5	3	1	6	3	2	6	23	29	8	75	75%	31%
2019/20	2	1	4	2	4	6	4	1	6	3	3	27	30	8	75	38%	36%
2020/21	3	2	2	3	2	5	4	5	0	-2	5	21	26	8	75	63%	28%
2021/22	4	4	2	2	3	2	5	4	5	1	8	23	32	8	75	94%	31%
2022/23	3	5	4	2	2	3	2	5	4	1	8	22	31	8	75	96%	29%
2023/24	1	4	5	4	2	2	3	2	5	1	5	22	30	8	75	56%	30%
2024/25	2	1	4	5	4	2	2	3	2	1	3	21	28	8	75	40%	28%
2025/26	2	2	4	4	5	4	2	2	3	1	4	22	32	8	75	54%	30%

Sunday School Totals

	Nursery	Pre-school	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	Migration etc	Total ELC	Total P1 - P7	Overall Total	Capacity (ELC)	Capacity (P1 - P7)	ELC % of Capacity	P1 - P7 % of capacity
2013/14	2	3	5	2	6	3	4	8	3	-1	5	31	36	15	75	33%	41%
2014/15	1	3	3	5	4	5	3	4	7	0	4	31	35	15	75	27%	41%
2015/16	3	1	3	3	5	3	5	3	5	0	4	27	31	15	75	27%	36%
2016/17	1	3	1	5	4	6	6	5	3	7	4	30	34	15	75	27%	40%
2017/18	0	4	4	2	5	5	6	6	5	2	4	33	37	15	75	27%	44%
2018/19	4	1	3	5	3	4	6	7	6	3	5	34	39	15	75	33%	45%
2019/20	0	4	1	3	3	3	4	9	7	1	4	30	34	15	75	27%	40%
2020/21	0	0	5	1	6	3	5	5	10	7	0	35	35	15	75	0%	47%
2021/22	2	0	0	5	1	6	3	5	5	1	2	25	28	15	75	13%	33%
2022/23	0	2	0	0	5	1	6	3	5	1	2	20	25	15	75	16%	27%
2023/24	1	0	2	0	0	5	1	6	3	1	1	17	22	15	75	7%	23%
2024/25	1	1	0	2	0	0	5	1	6	1	2	14	22	15	75	14%	19%
2025/26	1	1	1	0	2	0	0	5	1	1	2	10	18	15	75	13%	13%

Shapinsay School Totals

	Nursery	Pre-school	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	Migration etc	Total ELC	Total P1 - P7	Overall Total	Capacity (ELC)	Capacity (P1 - P7)	ELC % of Capacity	P1 - P7 % of capacity
2013/14	1	3	6	5	2	3	4	2	6	4	4	28	32	8	45	50%	62%
2014/15	1	1	3	5	3	1	3	4	2	-4	2	21	23	8	45	25%	47%
2015/16	2	2	1	3	5	2	1	3	4	-1	4	19	23	8	45	50%	42%
2016/17	1	2	3	1	4	5	3	2	4	4	3	22	25	8	45	38%	49%
2017/18	0	2	4	4	1	4	6	3	3	3	2	25	27	8	45	25%	56%
2018/19	3	1	2	4	4	1	4	6	4	1	4	25	29	8	45	50%	56%
2019/20	1	3	0	1	4	3	1	4	6	-2	4	19	23	8	45	50%	42%
2020/21	0	1	3	0	2	4	3	1	4	1	1	17	18	8	45	13%	38%
2021/22	0	0	1	3	0	2	4	3	1	0	0	14	14	8	45	0%	31%
2022/23	1	0	0	1	3	0	2	4	3	0	1	13	15	8	45	13%	29%
2023/24	1	1	0	0	1	3	0	2	4	0	2	10	14	8	45	27%	22%
2024/25	1	1	1	0	0	1	3	0	2	0	2	7	11	8	45	27%	16%
2025/26	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	3	0	0	2	6	11	8	45	25%	14%

North Walls School Totals

	Nursery	Pre-school	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	Migration etc	Total ELC	Total P1 - P7	Overall Total	Capacity (ELC)	Capacity (P1 - P7)	ELC % of Capacity	P1 - P7 % of capacity
2013/14	4	4	4	5	3	3	1	4	1	1	8	21	29	12	40	67%	53%
2014/15	2	6	4	4	5	4	4	1	4	2	8	26	34	12	40	67%	65%
2015/16	2	3	4	3	3	5	3	4	1	-3	5	23	28	12	40	42%	58%
2016/17	3	1	3	4	3	3	5	3	4	0	4	25	29	12	40	33%	63%
2017/18	2	5	2	3	5	3	3	5	6	4	7	27	34	12	40	58%	68%
2018/19	1	2	4	2	3	5	3	3	5	0	3	25	28	12	40	25%	63%
2019/20	1	2	2	4	1	3	5	3	3	-1	3	21	24	12	40	25%	53%
2020/21	5	1	2	2	4	1	3	4	2	-2	6	18	24	12	40	50%	45%
2021/22	1	6	1	2	2	4	1	3	4	0	7	17	24	12	40	57%	43%
2022/23	1	1	6	1	2	2	4	1	3	0	2	19	22	12	40	18%	47%
2023/24	1	1	1	6	1	2	2	4	1	0	2	17	20	12	40	18%	43%
2024/25	2	1	1	1	6	1	2	2	4	0	3	17	22	12	40	26%	43%
2025/26	2	2	1	1	1	6	1	2	2	0	4	14	20	12	40	36%	36%

Rousay School Totals

	Nursery	Pre-school	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	Migration etc	Total ELC	Total P1 - P7	Overall Total	Capacity (ELC)	Capacity (P1 - P7)	ELC % of Capacity	P1 - P7 % of capacity
2013/14	3	1	4	2	2	3	3	5	0	3	4	19	23	8	40	50%	48%
2014/15	0	3	1	4	1	2	2	2	4	-4	3	16	19	8	40	38%	40%
2015/16	1	1	3	1	5	1	3	2	2	2	2	17	19	8	40	25%	43%
2016/17	0	0	1	2	0	4	1	3	2	-3	0	13	13	8	40	0%	33%
2017/18	2	1	0	1	3	1	4	0	2	0	3	11	14	8	40	38%	28%
2018/19	0	2	2	0	1	3	1	3	0	-1	2	10	12	8	40	25%	25%
2019/20	1	0	3	2	0	2	3	1	3	1	1	14	15	8	40	13%	35%
2020/21	0	1	0	2	3	0	2	3	1	0	1	11	12	8	40	13%	28%
2021/22	1	0	1	0	2	3	0	2	3	0	1	11	12	8	40	13%	28%
2022/23	2	1	0	1	0	2	3	0	2	0	3	8	11	8	40	40%	20%
2023/24	1	2	1	0	1	0	2	3	0	0	3	7	11	8	40	42%	18%
2024/25	1	1	2	1	0	1	0	2	3	0	2	10	12	8	40	27%	24%
2025/26	1	1	1	2	1	0	1	0	2	0	2	8	10	8	40	25%	19%

Eday School Totals

	Nursery	Pre-school	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	Migration etc	Total ELC	Total P1 - P7	Overall Total	Capacity (ELC)	Capacity (P1 - P7)	ELC % of Capacity	P1 - P7 % of capacity
2013/14	0	1	0	1	2	1	0	1	0	0	1	5	6	3	12	33%	42%
2014/15	1	0	1	2	0	2	1	1	1	2	1	8	9	3	12	33%	67%
2015/16	1	1	0	0	2	0	2	1	2	0	2	7	9	3	12	67%	58%
2016/17	1	1	1	2	0	2	0	2	0	1	2	7	9	3	12	67%	58%
2017/18	1	1	0	1	2	0	1	0	2	-1	2	6	8	3	12	67%	50%
2018/19	1	1	1	0	1	2	0	1	0	0	2	5	7	3	12	67%	42%
2019/20	2	2	1	2	1	1	2	0	1	2	4	8	12	3	12	133%	67%
2020/21	0	2	2	1	2	1	1	2	0	0	2	9	11	3	12	67%	75%
2021/22	2	0	2	2	1	2	1	1	2	0	2	11	13	3	12	67%	92%
2022/23	1	2	0	2	2	1	2	1	1	0	3	9	13	3	12	111%	75%
2023/24	1	1	2	0	2	2	1	2	1	0	2	10	14	3	12	72%	86%
2024/25	1	1	1	2	0	2	2	1	2	0	2	11	15	3	12	72%	88%
2025/26	1	1	1	1	2	0	2	2	1	0	2	10	14	3	12	67%	81%

Papa Westray School Totals

	Nursery	Pre-school	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	Migration etc	Total ELC	Total P1 - P7	Overall Total	Capacity (ELC)	Capacity (P1 - P7)	ELC % of Capacity	P1 - P7 % of capacity
2013/14	0	0	1	2	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	6	6	3	15	0%	40%
2014/15	0	0	0	1	2	1	0	1	1	0	0	6	6	3	15	0%	40%
2015/16	0	1	0	0	1	2	1	0	1	0	1	5	6	3	15	33%	33%
2016/17	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	5	5	3	15	0%	33%
2017/18	0	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	3	2	9	11	3	15	67%	60%
2018/19	0	1	2	0	1	0	1	1	2	-2	1	7	8	3	15	33%	47%
2019/20	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	-1	0	4	4	3	15	0%	27%
2020/21	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	3	3	3	15	0%	20%
2021/22	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	2	3	3	15	33%	13%
2022/23	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	2	3	3	15	39%	13%
2023/24	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	3	3	15	33%	14%
2024/25	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	3	3	15	39%	14%
2025/26	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	3	15	0%	16%

North Ronaldsay School Totals

	Nursery	Pre-school	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	Migration etc	Total ELC	Total P1 - P7	Overall Total	Capacity (ELC)	Capacity (P1 - P7)	ELC % of Capacity	P1 – P7 % of capacity
2013/14	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	2	0	3	3	0	29	0%	10%
2014/15	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	-1	0	1	1	0	29	0%	3%
2015/16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	29	0%	3%
2016/17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	29	0%	3%
2017/18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	29	0%	0%
2018/19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	29	0%	0%
2019/20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	29	0%	0%
2020/21	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	2	3	0	29	0%	7%
2021/22	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	2	4	0	29	0%	7%
2022/23	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	3	4	0	29	0%	11%
2023/24	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	29	0%	12%
2024/25	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	3	0	29	0%	12%
2025/26	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	3	3	0	29	0%	12%

The majority of Isles primary schools are forecast to see minimal changes in their rolls over the period, with the largest reductions coming in Sanday, Shapinsay and Westray. The trend in Sanday is particularly worrying. As outlined above, due to the size of Isles' schools, accurate forecasting is difficult.

Much like Mainland schools there are a range of both positive and negative figures for migration, transfers and new build. Some Isles' schools have similar figures to much larger Mainland schools, building upon the observation that forecasting school rolls for small schools that can have quite significant changes in roll, compared to their size, is difficult. However, the average yearly change is small and this is reflected in the forecasts that show minimal impact from net-migration, new build and transfers.

Secondary Schools

Isles Junior High Schools

The tables below outline the forecasts for the three island junior high schools on Westray, Sanday and Stronsay.

Westray Junior High School

	S1	S2	S3	S4	Migration etc	Total	Capacity	% of capacity
2004/05	9	8	9	8	0	34	50	68%
2005/06	9	9	9	9	1	36	50	72%
2006/07	7	10	9	8	0	34	50	68%
2007/08	14	7	10	11	2	42	50	84%
2008/09	9	14	5	8	-4	36	50	72%
2009/10	4	9	14	6	1	33	50	66%
2010/11	4	3	9	11	-4	27	50	54%
2011/12	5	4	3	8	-1	20	50	40%
2012/13	3	4	3	3	-2	13	50	26%
2013/14	7	3	3	3	-1	16	50	32%
2014/15	5	6	3	3	-1	17	50	34%
2015/16	4	4	6	4	0	18	50	36%
2016/17	2	3	5	5	-1	15	50	30%
2017/18	4	2	3	5	0	14	50	28%
2018/19	12	5	3	3	2	25	50	50%
2019/20	8	15	5	3	3	34	50	68%
2020/21	8	8	13	5	-2	35	50	70%
2021/22	4	8	8	13	-1	33	50	67%
2022/23	10	4	8	8	-1	30	50	60%
2023/24	7	11	4	8	-1	30	50	59%
2024/25	4	7	11	4	-1	23	50	46%
2025/26	7	4	7	11	-1	27	50	54%
2026/27	5	7	4	7	-1	21	50	42%

Sanday Junior High School

	S1	S2	S3	S4	Migration etc	Total	Capacity	% of capacity
2004/05	9	8	6	8	0	31	50	62%
2005/06	4	10	8	5	0	27	50	54%
2006/07	9	4	10	8	0	31	50	62%
2007/08	14	9	7	9	2	39	50	78%
2008/09	8	14	8	5	-3	35	50	70%
2009/10	5	7	13	8	-2	33	50	66%
2010/11	4	5	5	12	-3	26	50	52%
2011/12	5	3	3	6	-2	17	50	34%
2012/13	8	4	2	3	-2	17	50	34%
2013/14	7	7	3	3	-1	20	50	40%
2014/15	3	7	6	3	-1	19	50	38%
2015/16	7	2	8	5	-1	22	50	44%
2016/17	5	6	3	7	-1	21	50	42%
2017/18	3	7	6	3	2	21	50	42%
2018/19	8	3	9	6	2	28	50	56%
2019/20	6	9	4	8	1	28	50	56%
2020/21	7	6	8	3	-2	24	50	48%
2021/22	10	7	6	8	-1	30	50	59%
2022/23	5	10	7	6	-1	26	50	52%
2023/24	5	4	10	7	-1	23	50	47%
2024/25	3	5	4	10	-1	18	50	36%
2025/26	6	3	5	4	-1	15	50	30%
2026/27	1	6	3	5	-1	12	50	24%

Stronsay Junior High School

	S1	S2	S3	S4	Migration etc	Total	Capacity	% of capacity
2004/05	4	4	5	0	-2	13	50	26%
2005/06	6	4	4	6	1	20	50	40%
2006/07	3	8	3	4	1	18	50	36%
2007/08	7	3	9	4	2	23	50	46%
2008/09	7	8	4	8	1	27	50	54%
2009/10	9	7	7	4	-1	27	50	54%
2010/11	3	9	6	7	-1	25	50	50%
2011/12	5	3	9	8	2	25	50	50%
2012/13	6	5	5	9	2	25	50	50%
2013/14	6	7	5	5	1	23	50	46%
2014/15	1	4	6	3	-5	14	50	28%
2015/16	3	1	3	6	-1	13	50	26%
2016/17	4	3	1	3	0	11	50	22%
2017/18	3	5	2	3	2	15	50	30%
2018/19	3	2	5	2	-1	11	50	22%
2019/20	3	3	1	5	-1	11	50	22%
2020/21	6	3	3	1	0	12	50	25%
2021/22	0	6	3	3	0	11	50	22%
2022/23	5	0	6	3	0	13	50	26%
2023/24	4	5	0	6	0	14	50	27%
2024/25	5	4	5	0	0	13	50	26%
2025/26	2	5	4	5	0	15	50	30%
2026/27	3	2	5	4	0	13	50	26%

The forecasts vary for the three junior high schools. Westray and particularly Sanday are forecast to see quite significant falls in their junior high rolls, despite the roll in Sanday initially increasing, while Stronsay is forecast to see a very slight increase.

The above figures take into account transfer requests that may be raised to move pupils into Kirkwall Grammar School. For the forecasts all Secondary 1 pupils on the three islands start in the junior high on their island.

Mainland Secondary Schools

Forecasts for Orkney's two secondary schools are outlined below.

Kirkwall Grammar School

	S1	S2	S3	S4	S5	S6	Migration etc	Total	S1 - S4	Build Capacity	% of capacity
2005/06	152	165	166	190	163	71	14	907	673	950	95%
2006/07	184	155	176	168	147	105	16	935	683	950	98%
2007/08	165	179	160	177	129	102	1	912	681	950	96%
2008/09	140	158	186	157	128	71	-3	840	641	950	88%
2009/10	139	141	176	182	129	95	15	862	638	950	91%
2010/11	153	142	153	179	159	98	18	884	627	950	93%
2011/12	129	153	142	154	155	97	1	830	578	950	87%
2012/13	104	131	153	142	154	108	2	792	530	950	83%
2013/14	129	107	134	154	126	113	7	763	524	950	80%
2014/15	116	133	111	136	140	98	10	734	496	950	77%
2015/16	145	118	130	116	108	104	4	721	509	950	76%
2016/17	120	147	125	132	111	86	11	721	524	950	76%
2017/18	147	124	152	127	129	77	11	756	550	950	80%
2018/19	175	152	125	151	107	92	5	802	603	950	84%
2019/20	154	176	151	125	138	69	0	813	606	950	86%
2020/21	154	153	176	151	114	93	-1	841	634	950	89%
2021/22	150	154	153	176	147	81	9	861	633	950	91%
2022/23	133	150	154	153	183	104	9	893	590	950	94%
2023/24	158	133	150	154	156	130	9	896	595	950	94%
2024/25	137	158	133	150	161	110	9	864	578	950	91%
2025/26	148	137	158	133	150	114	9	855	576	950	90%
2026/27	136	148	137	158	140	106	9	841	579	950	89%

Stromness Academy

	S1	S2	S3	S4	S5	S6	Migration etc	Total	S1 - S4	Build Capacity	% of capacity
2005/06	77	78	81	101	52	42	9	431	337	600	72%
2006/07	80	78	78	79	75	37	-1	427	315	600	71%
2007/08	84	80	82	77	61	57	3	441	323	600	74%
2008/09	79	82	83	82	55	47	1	428	326	600	71%
2009/10	80	79	88	82	53	38	5	420	329	600	70%
2010/11	55	82	77	86	67	42	-2	409	300	600	68%
2011/12	77	59	82	79	62	45	6	404	297	600	67%
2012/13	60	76	61	83	58	53	2	391	280	600	65%
2013/14	63	59	78	61	66	39	1	366	261	600	61%
2014/15	54	66	59	78	55	52	3	364	257	600	61%
2015/16	56	57	69	60	64	46	7	352	242	600	59%
2016/17	67	55	57	70	51	50	0	350	249	600	58%
2017/18	59	68	54	59	60	33	2	333	240	600	56%
2018/19	71	59	67	52	47	47	-3	343	249	600	57%
2019/20	62	74	58	67	41	26	2	328	261	600	55%
2020/21	64	61	78	58	48	27	3	336	261	600	56%
2021/22	71	64	61	78	46	35	3	355	274	600	59%
2021/23	78	71	64	61	62	34	3	375	274	600	62%
2023/24	51	78	71	64	49	45	3	363	264	600	60%
2024/25	61	51	78	71	51	35	3	352	261	601	59%
2025/26	69	61	51	78	57	37	3	358	259	602	59%
2026/27	55	69	61	51	62	41	3	344	236	603	57%

The rolls of both secondary schools are forecast to see their rolls initially increase before dropping back to around current levels, with both schools being well within capacity limits.