

Welcome to Learning Through Football

“The curriculum should be designed, managed and delivered in such a way that takes full account of each learner’s individual needs and stage of development. All young people, but particularly those in need of more choices and more chances, will benefit from different approaches to learning and opportunities to access learning in different contexts. Working in partnership affords young people a broad range of opportunities and scope for greater personalisation and choice, with benefits for both the young person and the partner organisation.”

“Partners have important roles in helping to develop aspects of young people’s skills. Partnerships may include those with small companies, social enterprises and entrepreneurs, providing a strong link between the school and the local community, as well as larger national or international organisations. Through such partnerships, pre-school establishments, schools and colleges can benefit from additional expertise and information about the work and social environment, enabling effective, relevant and contextualised approaches to learning and teaching.”

Curriculum for Excellence Building the Curriculum 4; Skills for Learning, Skills for Life and Skills for Work (Scottish Government, 2009)

Welcome to the Scottish FA’s Learning Through Football online platform.

This site has been designed to support teaching and learning using the context of football.

The Scottish FA is committed to providing opportunities for everyone to participate in football regardless of ability or background.

Learning Through Football will continually evolve; supporting staff with the latest and most relevant opportunities to engage, enthuse, challenge and motivate learners using a sport followed by an estimated 3.5 billion people across the world (FIFA) but accessible to so many more.

This welcome guide will support the immediate use of the Learning Through Football online platform.



Home Page

Our home page contains all the necessary features for navigating around the Learning Through Football online material.

As well as containing an introduction video to Learning Through Football, this page will display the latest and newest additions to the site as well as advertising further opportunities to engage in Learning Through Football.



Curriculum

Curriculum Iconography



Here, you'll find learning opportunities behind 7 curricular areas of Curriculum for Excellence; **Languages** (i.e. Literacy and Modern Languages), **Maths and Numeracy**, **Health & Wellbeing**, **Science**, **Technologies**, **Expressive Arts** and **Social Studies**.

Each curricular is identified using an icon. These icons will become useful as you explore the learning opportunities.

Learning Opportunities

Clicking on a curricular tab will open a range of suggested learning opportunities within that curricular area;

TECHNOLOGIES

DESIGN OR CONSTRUCT MODEL STADIA E.G. FOOTBALL STADIA IN SCOTLAND

Craft, Design, Engineering and Graphics – TCH -09a, -12a
 Angle, symmetry and transformation MTH -17b, -17c, -17d

USE TEXT, IMAGES AND SOUNDS TO PRESENT; E.G. MATCH COMMENTARY, PODCASTS ETC

Using digital products and services in a variety of contexts to achieve a purposeful outcome – TCH -01a

LEARN ABOUT QR CODES; HOW/WHERE ARE THEY USED IN FOOTBALL?

Use and create QR codes in own learning Digital Literacy TCH -01a, -02a
 Technological Developments in Society and Business TCH -05a, -06a, -07a

ENSURING CONSERVATION OF MATERIALS AND RESOURCES, CONSIDERING THE IMPACT OF ACTIONS ON THE ENVIRONMENT

How could fans, players and officials be more 'ECO friendly' during football tournaments/matches?

Impact, contribution and relationship of technologies on business, the economy, politics and the environment – TCH -06a
 Energy sources and sustainability SCH -04a, -04b

ACCESS, RETRIEVE AND USE INFORMATION TO SUPPORT, ENRICH OR EXTEND LEARNING (DONE THROUGH MANY OF THE LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES)

Searching, processing and managing information responsibly – TCH -02a

COOKING FOOTBALLERS' FOOD – TRY PREPARING A PRE MATCH MEAL

Food and Textile – TCH -04c
 Food and health – HWB -20a

Learning Opportunities are not prescribed activities but simply suggested ideas which aim to inspire a connection to Learning Through Football.

Colours used in text, outline and background correspond to relevant colours used in Curriculum for Excellence documents.

LEARN ABOUT THE UNIQUE SKILLS, QUALITIES AND ABILITIES OF VARIOUS ROLES IN AND AROUND FOOTBALL, E.G. REFEREE, PHYSIO, WARM-UP COACH SPORTS PSYCHOLOGIST, REPORTER ETC

Planning for choices and change – HWB -20a

SIMPLE MNU PRESENTATIONS/DISPLAYS USING, E.G.;

- Tournament wins
- Tournament appearances
- Goals scored at the tournament
- Stadium capacities
- Scotland National Team statistics

Number and number processes – MNU - 02a
 Probability analysis – MTH -21a

SUPPORT LINKS:
[European Qualifier Statistics](#)

All suggested learning opportunities specifically match to appropriate Curriculum for Excellence Experiences and Outcomes. These are only possible links and not exhaustive.

Further support is provided to relevant links through 'Support Links'. These links come from the Scottish FA or external sites.



As all learning opportunities are suggestions, the objective of any learning opportunity may change based on learning outcomes and/or learning intentions. This means another Experience and Outcome may be more appropriate in planning and therefore, where appropriate, some alternative and/or linked Experiences and Outcomes have been identified.

Additional Experiences and Outcomes may also support linking across the curriculum (e.g. multi/interdisciplinary learning).

To further support this, additional curriculum icons are also attached to some learning opportunities.



Clicking on the relevant attached icon takes you from the current learning opportunity to another relevant and linked curricular area on the site.



Spotlight

This section of the site will put the spotlight on a particularly relevant resource, event or initiative being supported by the Scottish FA and Learning Through Football.

Containing new ideas, new resources, new learning opportunities etc; the content of this page will be specifically designed to raise awareness, stimulate discussion and encourage participation and engagement on a certain subject or topic within football.

Case Studies



This section of the Learning Through Football site brings the learning opportunities to life.

A great opportunity to share and promote the great work of your school and pupils, this page will focus on examples of good practice in teaching and learning through football.

Images of work will be displayed here along with testimonies from teachers and pupils.

Teacher testimonies aim to share perspective on how this learning opportunity supported teaching e.g. planning, assessment, challenge, engagement, linked learning etc.

Testimonies will also provide pupils with the opportunity to share their learning as well as providing insight into challenging, enjoyable and interesting aspects of the activity.

Resources

Here, teaching staff will have access to a downloadable bank of existing and new resources available from the Scottish FA and partners.

Resources will provide access to information on Scottish FA policies such as Strategic Plans and Wellbeing policies as well as exclusively created pupil resources.

Sign Up

As the Learning Through Football platform continues to develop, sign up gives us the opportunity to connect directly with you and your school.

Connecting in this way will strengthen our collaboration, enable direct support and communication, provide exclusive updates, resources and access to other interesting and bespoke learning opportunities.