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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Order)*

This Order amends section 354 of the Education Act 1996 by substituting new subsections (1) to (5) in that section. That section names the core subjects and other foundation subjects of the National Curriculum.

While these subsections have been re-cast, there are no changes of substance for schools in Wales. The Order does though make changes relating to schools in England:

Citizenship is to become a foundation subject in relation to the third and fourth key stages as from the start of the school year beginning in 2002. For the purposes of school years which start on or after 2000, the order making power under the section relating to modern foreign languages is changed; an order need no longer specify a modern foreign language; also, the existing foundation subject of “art” is to be replaced by the foundation subject of “art and design” (*article 2*).