

Memorandum

To: All S5/6 Students and parents
From: Ms McNay
Date: Week Beginning 23rd November
Re: Assessment and Prelims in January 2021



National 5 Courses

As you will be aware, National 5 courses do not have an exam this year and your final grade will be based on evidence gathered by your teachers throughout the year. Therefore, you will have assessments in class at some point between **Monday 11th – Tuesday 26th January** (not prelims) and you will sit a further key assessment piece near the end of the courses (end of April/beginning of May) in the Assembly Hall. Dates will be confirmed nearer the time. Your teachers will tell you when you will be sitting your National 5 assessments.

Higher and Advanced Higher Courses

All Higher and Advanced Higher classes will have a formal prelim diet in the Assembly Hall.

Why have prelims?

- It allows you to see how you are getting on in courses and allows your teachers to give feedback on next steps to improve
- It allows you to experience an exam paper which is similar in style to your final exam with a mixture of topic areas
- It allows you to experience how to prepare and plan your study prior to the exam (it's a practice run for the real thing in May!)
- It generates a piece of evidence for the teachers to generate an estimate grade for the SQA as to how you are performing

What do I need to do now?

You will find all of the prelims on the back of this sheet, and they are running during your normal class times. If you are unsure, ask your teacher which prelim is yours! You need to look through this and highlighting which ones you are involved in, then create and carry out a study routine which will allow you to do your best. You will need to revise throughout the Christmas holidays!



Week 1	Period					
	1	2	3	4	5	6
Monday 11th January	<u>Column A</u> H Maths H D&M				<u>Column D</u> H Geography H Biology AH English	
Tuesday 12th January	<u>Column E</u> H RMPS H History AH History				<u>Column C</u> H Chemistry H Maths	
Wednesday 13th January	<u>Column B</u> H Administration H Physics AH Drama		<u>Column D</u> H French		<u>Column A</u> H RMPS H Art AH Biology	
Thursday 14th January	<u>Column C</u> H English				<u>Column E</u> H Drama H Biology	
Friday 15th January	<u>Column F</u> AH Chemistry H Media AH RMPS		<u>Column B</u> H Geography H English			

Week 2	Period					
	1	2	3	4	5	6
Monday 18th January	<u>Column A</u> H Music				<u>Column D</u> H PE H English AH Physics	
Tuesday 19th January	<u>Column E</u> AH Spanish				<u>Column C</u> AH Maths	
Wednesday 20th January	<u>Column B</u> AH MS H MS		<u>Column D</u> H BM AH Geography		<u>Column A</u> AH Music	
Thursday 21st January	<u>Column C</u> H Music Tech					