



17 December 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

## UPDATE ON SQA EXAMINATIONS

The decision has now been taken that all SQA examinations will be cancelled. This means that there will be no final exams in the summer term and coursework that normally would be submitted to form part of the final grade will not be required. The grades that will be received in August certificates will be based on Teachers' Professional Judgements.

We are still at an early stage of working through the guidance that we have been provided with on what we will be required to do and further guidance is also awaited from SQA. What we do know is that we are required to gather evidence to back up the Teachers' Professional Judgements that are submitted in May.

For Higher and Advanced Higher, the prelim diet that we have already shared will continue to go ahead. This will provide an important piece of evidence, but it is not the only assessment that will be used to determine the grade that is submitted. Higher and Advanced Higher pupils will receive further assessments after the prelim diet is complete.

For pupils completing National 5 courses, key assessments will take place from January and will assess different parts of a course over a period of time. Again, these will not be the only assessment used to determine the grade that is submitted to SQA.

We are collating an overview of the assessments that will take place for National 5, Higher and Advanced Higher for your information and we will provide this early in the New Year.

Pupils will be reminded of the importance of keeping their planner up-to-date with key dates and results from tests and homework, which they can then share with you. Please see the next page with further details on how we will keep you informed of progress over the remainder of the year.

The SQA website will also provide further information on the changes that will be taking place to Qualifications in 2021: <https://www.sqa.org.uk/sqa/95157.html>. We will keep you informed of any further changes as we are made aware of them.

May we take this opportunity to wish you all a safe festive break and we look forward to seeing all the students in the New Year.

Yours faithfully

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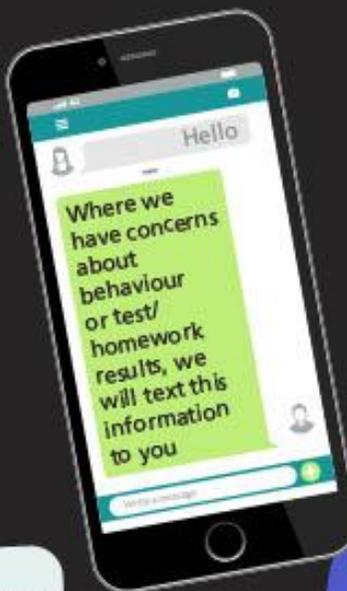
# Keeping you informed on progress in class during COVID-19 restrictions



Lockerbie Academy

COVID-19 restrictions mean we cannot hold parents evenings.

We wanted to share with you how we will help to communicate information with you about progress in class



**Planner** - All pupils have a planner. They must record dates for tests/homework along with results from tests/homework to keep you up-to-date with their progress



Homework and Resources are posted on Microsoft Teams. These are accessed through Glow and can be used at home

## Reporting Dates (Juniors S1-S3)

19 November 2020	S2 Report with teacher comments
26 November 2020	S1 Summary Report
7 January 2021	S3 Report with teacher comments
22 April 2021	S3 Summary Report
13 May 2021	S1 Report with teacher comments

## Reporting Dates (Seniors S4-S6)

5 November 2020	Tracker Report issued
22 February 2021	Tracker Report issued with comments
25 March 2021	Tracker Report issued



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