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Dear Parent/Carer

### **S3 Exams 2025/26**

After the success of our S3 exam diet last year and the positive feedback we received from parents, learners and staff, we have again decided to hold S3 exams this year. These are due to take place over two weeks in **December 2025**.

As a result of feedback received, we will also run an additional two-week S3 assessment period in **April 2026**.

We believe this new format of written assessments will benefit learners, as they will:

- give S3 pupils an exam experience prior to S4 when they will begin their National Qualification courses.
- give pupils the opportunity to demonstrate their learning
- provide additional information on strengths and improvement areas which will help progression.
- give staff accurate data about which interventions have proven to be successful in helping to raise attainment.

Specific details of exam arrangements including subjects involved and times and dates will be shared with pupils and parents/carers prior to the exam periods.

Yours faithfully

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