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Dear Parent/Carer

S4 - S6 Assessment Arrangements

From **Tuesday 20th April 2021** senior phase pupils will begin a period of assessment. I have included a copy of the assessment timetable with this letter, each S4-S6 pupil will also be given their own copy.

These assessments are a vital part of our preparations as we seek to gather quality evidence for each candidate, this evidence will contribute towards SQA attainment. It is important to stress that with the cancellation of the 2021 National SQA Exam Diet qualifications will be awarded on the basis of teacher estimates, these will be supported by assessment resources and quality assurance both at school, local and national level.

As always thorough preparation both in class and at home will assist students in achieving success.

Please note the following;

- 1. The assessments commence on the **<u>20/04/21</u>** and will continue until June.
- 2. All S4 S6 Pupils are required to attend school for their assessments. All assessments will take place during timetabled classes. There will be no study leave. Please contact me at school if your child is unable to attend an assessment and I will arrange an alternative time and date where possible.
- 3. Perfect behaviour is expected and must be observed at all times.
- 4. The assessments will be supervised by class teachers. The instructions from class teachers must be followed without question. Failure to cooperate with these instructions could jeopardise presentation with the SQA. The assessments will take place under controlled exam conditions.
- 5. Mobile Phones may not be taken out in classrooms, they must be switched off and stored in school bags as is the school policy. I Pads will not be permitted during these assessments.
- 6. Mathematics teachers will have explained which paper allows the use of calculators. Calculators which have the facility to store large amounts of information are banned and may not be used.
- 7. All assessments must be completed using **black pen**.

I look for your co-operation and support in ensuring a successful diet of assessments. If you have any further question or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

S Wilson Depute Head Teacher