



6 October 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

SQA Assessments 2021-22

I am writing to update you on our plans for assessments in National Qualifications in this academic year.

The SQA have confirmed that examinations will go ahead (as long as it remains safe to do so) and have now published their examinations schedule, which can be found [here](#). The website also outlines the remaining mitigations for subjects, which have been retained from last session, together with information in the event of cancellation of the examinations.

In order to support our pupils to be successful, we have developed a proportionate approach to assessment. This will allow pupils the opportunity to become familiar with exam situations and allow teachers the opportunity to gather evidence at key times in the year. Our approach will provide maximum time for learning, teaching and assessment and allow pupils to receive feedback from their teacher in class so that they can act on their feedback in preparation for their SQA examinations.

All pupils will be informed about our approach to assessment on Wednesday 13 October during Period 1 in a virtual assembly.

In order to provide more details about our approach to assessment, we would like to invite you to a virtual SQA Assessment Information Session on Wednesday 13 October starting at 6pm on Teams. The session will give you a more detailed overview of our plans and following the event we will ask you to complete a Microsoft Form with any questions you have which will be feed into our *Frequently Asked Questions* document which will be shared in our sway after the October holiday. We will also share a summary of key information from this session in the parent update next Friday.

If you would like to attend this information session then please complete the following form with your details by 6pm on Tuesday 12 October:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=af6sSGo3tUKfacnke7-5xPVnr6vkEVFMpKZej97mNOIUMDA0SFhBN1ExV1RORVRTS1YxM1dSOU1JQ14u>

You will receive the link to join the information session to the e-mail address you provide on Wednesday prior to the meeting.

Yours sincerely

Colin Meikle
Headteacher