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S5/6 Practice Examinations

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Dear Parent/Carer

Please find attached a copy of the S5/6 Practice Exam Timetable. S5/6 practice exams will take place between Tuesday 7th December and Tuesday 14th December.

To minimise disruption to learning and teaching, practice exams will take place during timetabled class time. There is no exam leave for the practice exams and learning and teaching will continue in all classes. Where pupils do not have a practice exam, they should attend their timetabled classes as normal.

Practice exams will take place for graded National 5, Higher and Advanced Higher Qualifications only (excluding National 5 PE). There are no practice exams for Ungraded N5/Higher courses or National 4 Qualifications as these courses are assessed internally throughout the session.

Practice exams for courses delivered at Consortium schools or college will take place out with the main diet of practice exams. Your child will receive information about these exams from the relevant school/college. In addition, practical practice exams for Higher and Advanced Higher Music will take place Week beginning 22nd November.

Your child's teachers will go through the timetable in classes this week to confirm the column for each of their subjects and the format of the practice exams.

To provide pupils will the opportunity to experience the conditions of the main SQA diet, the S5/6 Column A practice exam will take place in the Games Hall.

To support pupils in preparing for the practice exams there will be a focus on developing effective study skills and techniques in classes. In addition, there are a range of supported study opportunities scheduled between now and the practice exams.

A range of online supported study and resources are also available from the National e-learning resource: <https://www.e-sgoil.com/>

Regards

M. Macdonald

Head Teacher



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S5/6 Practice Examination Timetable

December 2021

Date	Periods	Column	Subjects
Tuesday 7 th December	3+4	A	English (N5 and Higher), History (Higher), Biology (Higher) and Physics (Advanced Higher)
Wednesday 8 th December	3+4	B	Maths (N5 and Higher: Non-calculator paper), English (Higher), Business (Higher) and Care (N5 and Higher)
Thursday 9 th December	3+4	B	Maths (N5 and Higher; Calculator Paper)
	5+6	D	Maths (Higher; Calculator paper)
Friday 10 th December	3+4	C	Art and Design (N5 and Higher), Business (N5 and Higher), Chemistry (Higher), Geography (Higher), History (N5 and Higher), Modern Studies (Higher) and Physics (Higher)
Monday 13 th December	1+2	D	Admin (N5 and Higher), Biology (N5 and Higher), Graphic Communication (N5 and Higher), Maths (Higher) and PE (N5 and Higher)
Tuesday 14 th December	1+2	E	Art and Design (Higher), Design and Manufacture (N5 and Higher), Music (Higher and Advanced Higher), Physics (Higher) and RMPS (N5 and Higher) Health and Food Technology (N5 and Higher),
Wednesday 15 th December	3	B	English (Higher; Critical Essay)
	4	A	English (N5 and Higher; Critical Essay)

Notes

- S5/6 Practice exams are for graded N5, Higher and Advanced Higher courses only (Excluding N5 PE)
- All Practice exams will take place during class time on the days/periods detailed above (except practical exams for Music)
- The Practice Examination for Column A will take place in the Games Hall
- When pupils do not have a Practice Exam, they should attend their normal timetabled classes