

Senior Phase Assessment Block

Dear Parent/Carer,

The Second S4 Assessment Block will take place from the 3rd until the 12th of December.

Pupils will follow their normal school timetable and assessment blocks will take place during double periods in the subject which corresponds to their column choice outlined below. There are a couple of exceptions to this, given the nature of the assessment during this block and I have outlined these in this letter.

Expectations:

- Pupils will not be given study leave for these exams and should follow their normal timetable when not undertaking an assessment.
- Pupils should be in full school uniform and come to exams readily equipped (pencils/pens/calculators as appropriate).
- These exams are under exam conditions and therefore pupils will not be allowed to have access to their mobile phones and or smart watches alongside personal belongings (bags/jackets etc.) these will be stored safely in the classroom away from their examination table.

All learners who are entitled to additional arrangements during assessment periods will have this factored into their examinations in class by their class teacher.

Help with studying approaches can be found via this link:

<https://www.glenifferhigh.renfrewshire.sch.uk/news/get-exam-ready/>

The best advice and support will come from their class teachers, this is where pupils should start with guidance on approaches for their subject area.

Assessment Calendar:

Assessment Block 2	COLUMNS
DATES/DAYS	S4
WEDNESDAY 3RD DECEMBER	
THURSDAY 4TH DECEMBER	F*(P1 and P2 core), E (P4 and P5)
FRIDAY 5TH DECEMBER	G*(P1 and P2)
MONDAY 8TH DECEMBER	D (P3 and P4), U (1 and 2)
TUESDAY 9TH DECEMBER	C*(P2 and P3 interval)
WEDNESDAY 10TH DECEMBER	A (P3 and P4)
THURSDAY 11TH DECEMBER	B (P6 and P7)
FRIDAY 12TH DECEMBER	G*(P1 and P2)

Subjects in each column:

Column A	Column B	Column C	Column D	Column E	Column F	Column G	Column U
Art	Physics	Admin & IT	Biology	Computer Games Design	English	Maths	German
Graphics	Biology	Business	Environmental Science	Computing Science			
PE	Chemistry	Computing Science	Physics	D&M			
Geography	History	Chemistry	Music	PWW			
Modern Studies	Modern Studies	Biology	Spanish	Geography			
Music	PWW	French	Business	History			
Practical Cookery	Art	PE		Home Economics			
EE&CC		RMPS		Practical Cookery			
				Photography			

Assessment timetable by week:

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WEEK 1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
MONDAY							
TUESDAY							
WEDNESDAY							
THURSDAY	F*	F*		E	E		
FRIDAY	G*	G*					

WEEK 2	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
MONDAY	U*	U*	D	D			
TUESDAY		C*	C*				
WEDNESDAY			A	D			
THURSDAY						B	B
FRIDAY	G*	G*					

***Assessment Exceptions:**

- Column C – These assessments will take place P2 and 3 which means through interval. Pupils will not be permitted to leave during their assessment and will receive a delayed interval on this day. Pupils should bring an appropriate refreshment to have during this day. Anyone who is entitled to free school meals will have access to snacks from the school canteen.
- Column F* - one of these periods will be a core period. Pupils will be extracted for this.
- Column G* - During this assessment block, Maths will undertake 2 papers, one on Friday the 5th and the second on Friday 12th. Pupils must sit both papers.
- Column U* - This is a small group of learners who are sitting National 5 German. This will take place in the German classroom during P1 and 2. Pupils will be extracted from their other subject for this double period only.
- Pupils who sit music will also be given an individual assessment time slot from Mrs Cowie to sit their practical performance exam. This will be organised around their other assessments.

On the adjacent page, the specific topics to be covered have been indicated to give direction into the areas to be covered for each subject assessment

If you have any further questions about this, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Kind Regards

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YEAR GROUP	COLL	DATE	PERIOD	SUBJECT	LEVEL	TOPIC	TIME	LOCATION
S4	G	FRI 5TH DEC	1 AND 2	APPLICATIONS OF MATHS - Paper 1	NATIONAL 5	Finance, Stats, Tolerance, T/D/S, Pythagoras, Scale Drawing, Gradient, Circle	60 mins	Maths Dept
S4	G	FRI 5TH DEC	1 AND 2	MATHEMATICS - Paper 1	NATIONAL 5	Blocks 1-4 (not including similarity or bearings)	60mins	Maths Dept
S4	D	MON 8TH DEC	3 AND 4	BIOLOGY	NATIONAL 5	Unit 1, 2 and 3	1 hour 30 minutes	dept
S4	D	MON 8TH DEC	3 AND 4	BUSINESS MANAGEMENT	NATIONAL 5	Management of Finance and Management of People (Recruitment and Selection, and Training ONLY)	1 hour	In Dept
S4	D	MON 8TH DEC	3 AND 4	ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE	NATIONAL 5	Unit 1 and 2	1 hour 30 minutes	dept
S4	D	MON 8TH DEC	3 AND 4	MUSIC	NATIONAL 5	Understanding Music Question Paper (+ individually arranged Practical Slots)	45 minutes	G056
S4	D	MON 8TH DEC	3 AND 4	PHYSICS	NATIONAL 5	Unit 1 and 2	1 hour 30 mins	dept
S4	D	MON 8TH DEC	3 AND 4	SPANISH	NATIONAL 5	Past Paper Listening and Writing	Periods 3 and 4	G038
S4	U	MON 8TH DEC	1 AND 2	GERMAN	NATIONAL 5	Past Paper Listening and Writing	Periods 1 and 2	G043
S4	B	THUR 11TH DEC	6 AND 7	ART AND DESIGN	NATIONAL 5	Designer Question & Design Response Question	45 mins	dept
S4	B	THUR 11TH DEC	6 AND 7	BIOLOGY	NATIONAL 5	Unit 1, 2 and 3	1 hour 30 minutes	dept
S4	B	THUR 11TH DEC	6 AND 7	CHEMISTRY	NATIONAL 5	Unit 1 and 2	1 hour 30 minutes	dept
S4	B	THUR 11TH DEC	6 AND 7	HISTORY	NATIONAL 5	Scottish Wars of Independence, Trade in Enslaved African People & Hitler and Nazi Germany. All skills assessed.	1 hour 10 minutes	History classrooms
S4	B	THUR 11TH DEC	6 AND 7	MODERN STUDIES	NATIONAL 5	USA, Adult Court System and the CHS, Democracy in Scotland, Conclusions	1 hour 10 minutes	F038
S4	B	THUR 11TH DEC	6 AND 7	PHYSICS	NATIONAL 5	Unit 1 and 2	1 hour 30 minutes	dept
S4	B	THUR 11TH DEC	6 AND 7	PRACTICAL WOODWORK	NATIONAL 5	Flat Frame Assembly Task	2 hours	workshop
S4	E	THUR 4TH DEC	4 AND 5	COMPUTER GAMES DESIGN	LEVEL 5	No exam due to nature of continuous assessment for this course	1 hour	In Dept
S4	E	THUR 4TH DEC	4 AND 5	COMPUTING SCIENCE	NATIONAL 5	[Database Design and Development] and [Software Design and Development]	1 hour	In Dept
S4	E	THUR 4TH DEC	4 AND 5	DESIGN AND MANUFACTURE	NATIONAL 5	Mini Assignment	2 hours	tech classroom
S4	E	THUR 4TH DEC	4 AND 5	GEOGRAPHY	NATIONAL 5	Weather, Glaciation, Population, Health & Development, Climate Change	1 hour 10 minutes	F037
S4	E	THUR 4TH DEC	4 AND 5	HEALTH AND FOOD TECHNOL	NATIONAL 5	H&F, PD, CF	1 hour 45 minutes	F029
S4	E	THUR 4TH DEC	4 AND 5	HISTORY	NATIONAL 5	Scottish Wars of Independence, Trade in Enslaved African People & Hitler and Nazi Germany. All skills assessed.	1 hour 10 minutes	History classrooms
S4	E	THUR 4TH DEC	4 AND 5	PRACTICAL COOKERY	NATIONAL 4/5	Practical Cookery Assignment	1 hour 45 minutes	In Dept
S4	E	THUR 4TH DEC	4 AND 5	PHOTOGRAPHY	LEVEL 5	Multiple Choice 10 mark question - Creative and Technical & Analysis 10 mark question.	50 minutes	classroom
S4	E	THUR 4TH DEC	4 AND 5	PRACTICAL WOODWORK	NATIONAL 5	Flat Frame Assembly Task	2 hours	workshop
S4	F	THUR 4TH DEC	1 AND 2*	ENGLISH	NATIONAL 5	Full RUAE Paper (30 marks)	60 mins	English classrooms
S4	C	TUES 9TH DEC	2 AND 3*	ADMINISTRATION AND IT	NATIONAL 5	This will be assessed in January. Tue 13/1 and Wed 14/1	3 hours	In Dept
S4	C	TUES 9TH DEC	2 AND 3*	BIOLOGY	NATIONAL 5	Unit 1, 2 and 3	1 hour 30 mins	In Dept
S4	C	TUES 9TH DEC	2 AND 3*	BUSINESS MANAGEMENT	NATIONAL 5	Management of Finance and Management of People (Recruitment and Selection, and Training ONLY)	1 hour	In Dept
S4	C	TUES 9TH DEC	2 AND 3*	CHEMISTRY	NATIONAL 5	Unit 1 and 2	1 hour 30 minutes	In Dept
S4	C	TUES 9TH DEC	2 AND 3*	COMPUTING SCIENCE	NATIONAL 5	[Database Design and Development] and [Software Design and Development]	1 hour	In Dept
S4	C	TUES 9TH DEC	2 AND 3*	FRENCH	NATIONAL 5	Past Paper Listening and Writing	Periods 2 and 3	G039
S4	C	TUES 9TH DEC	2 AND 3*	PE	NATIONAL 5	Section 1 Portfolio	40 min	PE Classroom / G041 / G00
S4	C	TUES 9TH DEC	2 AND 3*	RMPs	NATIONAL 5	Islam, Origins	1 hour 10 minutes	F035
S4	A	WED 10TH DEC	3 AND 4	ART AND DESIGN	NATIONAL 5	Designer Question & Design Response Question	45 minutes	S006
S4	A	WED 10TH DEC	3 AND 4	EARLY EDUCATION AND CHIL	NATIONAL 5	Working in Early Learning Outcomes	50 minutes	G065 - TECH
S4	A	WED 10TH DEC	3 AND 4	GEOGRAPHY	NATIONAL 5	Weather, Glaciation, Population, Health & Development, Climate Change	1 hour 10 minutes	F037
S4	A	WED 10TH DEC	3 AND 4	GRAPHIC COMMUNICATION	NATIONAL 5	CAD activity	1 hour	tech classroom
S4	A	WED 10TH DEC	3 AND 4	MODERN STUDIES	NATIONAL 5	USA, Adult Court System and the CHS, Democracy in Scotland, Conclusions	1 hour 10 minutes	F033
S4	A	WED 10TH DEC	3 AND 4	MUSIC	NATIONAL 5	Understanding Music Question Paper (+ individually arranged Practical Slots)	45 minutes	G057
S4	A	WED 10TH DEC	3 AND 4	PRACTICAL COOKERY	NATIONAL 4/5	Practical Cookery Assignment	1 hour 45 minutes	dept
S4	A	WED 10TH DEC	3 AND 4	PE	NATIONAL 5	Section 1 Portfolio	40 min	PE Classroom
S4	G	FRI 12TH DEC	1 AND 2	APPLICATIONS OF MATHS - Pa	NATIONAL 5	Finance, Stats, Tolerance, T/D/S, Pythagoras, Scale Drawing, Gradient, Circle	60 mins	Maths Dept
S4	G	FRI 12TH DEC	1 AND 2	MATHEMATICS - Paper 2	NATIONAL 5	Blocks 1-4 (not including similarity or bearings)	75min	Maths Dept