

WHERE WE BELONG; WHERE WE REACH OUR POTENTIAL



A message to all of our pupils in S4, S5 and S6 (and their parents and carers)

Preparing for your SQA Assessments

As you will have seen from the First Minister's announcement today, decisions on the return to Scottish Schools continue to change in response to the path of the virus. We will therefore continue to update you regularly on the arrangements for our own school.

Today I need you to note that the formal SQA assessment block is most likely to begin on or just after 7 May 2021.

It is very important to remember that this is only 9 weeks away and the work you are doing now will be absolutely crucial in helping you to get the grades you want and provides some of the vital evidence teachers need to give you an estimate grade.

Without this evidence, you will receive no award!

So please:

- Work hard at your online learning. It is important to engage with the online check in and discussions on Teams. If you are unable to, then let your teacher know. It is important to keep your teachers informed. They will understand if you are having difficulty getting online at certain times and can offer you support.
- Attend the practical classes which have been set up for you in school. You must attend these classes as the work completed is essential to gaining a National Qualification. The evidence from these classes will be used by your teacher to produce your provisional grade.
- **Complete all of your practical work and assignments** by the deadlines set by your teachers. The SQA assessment deadlines are the same for every school and it is important you work towards these in the same way you would your final exams.

It will all be worth it!

Best wishes and keep safe

Mr Gilchrist