

S4 Tracking and Monitoring - Parent / Carer Support Guide 26/27

The table below shows all pupil work that will be considered when teachers assign a level at each round of tracking. Please review this with your pupil, alongside their report card, to support their understanding of their tracking period (TP) grades. Further information on subject criteria will be discussed with class teachers. Throughout the table you will see the following terms:

Formative assessment (FA) – Ongoing assessment used during the learning progress

Summative assessment (SA) – Takes place at the end of a period of learning

Subject	TP1	Evidence	TP2	Evidence	TP3	Evidence
Maths	September	Formative and summative assessments based on: Topics Data and Analysis, Equations and inequations, Fractions and Percentages, Simultaneous Equations, The Straight Line, Volume, Brackets and Factorising and Pythagoras.	November	Formative and summative assessments based on: Topics Circle, Algebraic Fractions, Surds and Indices, Trigonometric Triangles, Quadratic Graphs, plus any previous topics.	February	Formative and summative assessments based on (including Prelim results): Topics Trigonometric Graphs and Equations, Quadratic Equations, Vectors, plus any previous topics.
Applications of Maths		Formative and summative assessments based on: Topics Tolerance, Percentages, Fractions, Speed/Distance/Time, Finance (wages, tax, budgeting), Precedence Tables.		Formative and summative assessments based on: Topics Bearings and Scale, Pythagoras and Gradient, Foreign Exchange, Data and Analysis, Container Packing, plus any previous topics		Formative and summative assessments based on (including Prelim results): Topics Area and Perimeter, Probability, Ratio and Proportion, Interpret/Create Graphs, Volume, plus any previous topics
English		Based on formative writing, and Close Reading assessments from May to September Summative L5 unit assessments Timed Close Reading Assessment 1		Summative Folio Draft 1 (exam conditions) Timed Set Text (Paper 2 assessment) Formative Based on weekly Close Reading, literature tasks in preparation for prelim		Summative Prelim Assessment which consists of: - Close Reading - Critical Reading (Set Text and Critical Essay). Ongoing timed class practice

Biology		Formative check tests Summative assessment: - Mid-unit assessment for Cell Biology - End of unit assessment for Cell Biology		Formative check tests Summative assessment: - Mid unit assessment for Life on Earth		Formative check tests Summative assessment: - Prelim covering: Cell Biology and Life on Earth - Mid unit assessment for Multicellular Organisms - End of unit assessment for Multicellular Organisms
Chemistry		Formative check tests Summative key area tests: - Acids & Bases - Bonding & Properties		Formative check tests Summative key area tests: - Formula & Reacting Quantities - Homologous Series		Formative check tests December Prelim – all key areas covered to date Engagement with assignment process
Physics		Summative assessment: - Mid unit assessment on Waves - End of unit assessment on Waves and radiation -		Summative assessment: - Mid unit assessment on Dynamics - End of unit assessment on Dynamics and Space		Summative assessment: - Prelim covering: Waves, radiation, dynamics, space and electricity
Science		Formative check tests Summative assessment: - Soil erosion - Added Value Unit on Deforestation Formative assessment: - Sustainable Planet project		Formative check tests Summative assessment: - Unit 1 Fragile Earth Formative assessment: - Poster Assessment: The impacts of water		Formative check tests Summative assessment: - Health effects of exercise on heart rate - Added Value Unit on a health condition - Unit 2 Health
French		Society: Relationships with Family and Friends Culture: Holidays and Travelling Society: Home Area		Employability: Jobs and Skills Society: Healthy Living/Free Time Society: Technology		Learning: School/Education
Spanish		Society: Healthy Living/Free Time Learning: School/Education Culture: Holidays and Travelling		Society: Relationships with Family and Friends Employability: Jobs and Skills Society: Home Area		Society: Technology
Graphic Communication		Mini folio - Wall display		Technical sketching & rendering work		Prelim assessment results Practice Assignment task- open book

		CAD modelling and Desktop publishing tasks- practical skill building Theory assessments (FA / SA)		Ongoing formative and summative assessments in class based on theory content.		Ongoing formative assessment of skills development- use of software
Art and Design		Expressive unit – research drawings continuing from S3 Critical studies introduction (expressive)		Expressive unit – development drawings, composition, techniques Critical studies progression (expressive)		Expressive unit – final drawing combining chosen techniques and composition Critical studies – exam prep (design and expressive)
Physical Education		Approx 1/4 of portfolio completed and teacher assessed to estimate marks. Performance grade is estimated from what pupils are demonstrating in class in their chosen activity(s). Teachers combine these to create an estimated tracking grade.		Approx 1/3 of portfolio completed and teacher assessed to estimate marks. Performance grade is estimated from what pupils are demonstrating in class in their chosen activity(s). Teachers combine these to create an estimated tracking grade.		Approx 2/3 of portfolio completed and teacher assessed to estimate marks. Performance grade is estimated from what pupils are demonstrating in class in their chosen activity(s). Teachers combine these to create an estimated tracking grade.
Music		Formative Assessment -Timed Performance: 3 min Summative Assessments - Understanding: Scottish music		Formative Assessment -Timed Performance 5 min -Composing Assignment Summative Assessments -Understanding: Orchestra, Italian vocabulary -Literacy from Qualifications Scotland Past Papers		Formative Assessment -Timed Performance 8 min -Understanding Unit Assessments Summative Assessments -N5 Assignment – Composing -Prelim Question Paper
Drama		Formative Assessment -Performing -Skills Unit Summative Assessments: -Terminology and Structure		Formative Assessment -Practical Performance Piece 1 Summative Assessments: -Production Skills Unit Assessment		Formative Assessment Prelim Performance (Practical) Summative Assessments: -Prelim Question Paper
Music Technology		Formative Assessment -Context 1 (Audiobook): Implementation and Planning Sections		Formative Assessment - Understanding Unit Assessments - Context 2 Planning (Radio Broadcast) Summative Assessments: -Context 1 Assignment		Formative Assessment -Understanding Unit Assessments Summative Assessments: -N5 Assignment (Audiobook / Radio broadcast)

History		Scottish Unit: Era of the Great War Timed/Homework Knowledge & Understanding questions Timed/Homework source questions		British Unit: Changing Britain European & world Unit: Hitler & Nazi Germany End of unit assessments Assessments in preparation for Prelim 1	National 5 December Prelim performance National 5 Assignment – Personal topic choice Assessments in Preparation for Prelim 2
Geography		Population, Glaciation and Rural		Weather, Urban, Tourism and Climate Change Assessments in preparation for Prelim 1	National 5 Assignment – Personal Choice - Coasts Assessments in Preparation for Prelim 2
Modern Studies		Crime & Law Unit Timed/Homework Knowledge & Understanding questions Timed/Homework source questions		Crime & Law end of unit assessment. World Power: USA Democracy in Scotland Assessments in preparation for Prelim 1	National 5 December Prelim performance National 5 Assignment – Personal Choice Assessments in preparation for Prelim 2
Design and manufacture		Jewellery Stand project – Folio and practical model Formative assessment of research and sketching for practice assignment		Complete practice assignment – Design folio and practical model Formative assessment looking mainly at areas completed within practice assignment.	Prelim result Progress through assignment – Design folio and practical model
Administration & IT		Summative Assessment: Databases and PowerPoint		Summative Assessment: Spreadsheets	Prelim (covering topics to date) and Word Processing
Business Management		Summative Assessment: -Understanding Business		Summative Assessment: -HR -Marketing	Prelim (covering topics to date) and Review of progress in Business Assignment
NPA Business with IT		Summative Assessment of Understanding Business Unit Assessment and Marketing. Formative assessment of AIT Word Processing Unit and PowerPoint		-Summative Assessment of Marketing and HR. -Formative assessment of Internet Research (Admin / IT)	-Summative Assessment of Operations. -Summative assessment completing Admin / IT unit assessment covering all topics

Practical Woodwork		Flame frame practice project Flat frame tablet stand unit Pupils are assessed on the quality of measuring and marking out, processes and finish applied		Bottle Caddy carcass unit Including machining and finishing unit through completion of turnery.	Pupils will be assessed on the progress made so far through their practical exams, including logbook and case study. Exam project takes place from December-April.
Practical Cookery		Formative and summative assessments are based on the following topics -Understanding and Using Ingredients -Cookery Skills, Techniques and Processes - Organisational Skills for Cookery		Timed practical activity which assesses Cookery Skills, Techniques and Processes and Organisational Skills for Cookery. Written assessment in preparation for Prelim	Assessed on December Prelim performance Practical Activity and Question Paper Assessment of practical performance through preparation for the final N5 Practical Activity.
Gaelic Learners		Culture: Holidays and Travelling Society: Technology Society: Relationships with Family and Friends Society: Healthy Living/Free Time		Society: Home Area Learning: School/Education	Employability: Jobs and Skills
Gaidhlig Skills		Discursive Writing Focus Short Story Study for Extended Essay Poem Study for Extended Essay Listening & Reading practice		Writing Assignment Prelims Listening & Reading practice Talking practice	Talking Assessment Second Prelims