



St. Ninian's High School National 5 Key Assessment Timetable 2021-2022

This document contains details of the **key assessments** that you will complete for your National 5 subjects.

These key assessments will provide demonstrated evidence of attainment for the SQA, if it is required.

This is not a complete list of your subject assessments, but only the **key assessments**. Please remember that *all* assessments that you will sit are important and it is vital that you manage your time well and prepare thoroughly for *all* assessments.

It is also important that you act on any feedback given by your teachers so that you can understand your next steps for learning and build on your progress

Subject	Name of Assessment	Date of assessment	Course content eg. single unit, 70% course coverage.	Format of assessment e.g. multiple choice, written, essay, listening, practical.	Time allocated e.g. single period	Feedback e.g. how will feedback be given.
Accounting	1. Prelim	December	Full course coverage 130 marks	Past Paper style questions – 130 marks practical with 10% theory	3 periods	A grid will be shared to allow pupils to see where they lost marks. Detailed feedback going through marking instructions. Pupils will set targets based on results and agree these with teachers
	2. Model Paper	February	Full course coverage 130 marks – completed over a series of lessons	Past Paper style questions – 130 marks practical with 10% theory	3 periods	A grid will be shared to allow pupils to see where they lost marks. Detailed feedback going through marking instructions. Pupils will set targets based on results and agree these with teachers
	3. Model Paper	April	Full course coverage 130 marks – completed over a series of lessons	Past Paper style questions – 130 marks practical with 10% theory	3 periods	A grid will be shared to allow pupils to see where they lost marks. Detailed feedback going through marking instructions. Pupils will set targets based on results and agree these with teachers

Administration and IT	1. Prelim Assignment	December	Full assignment coverage 70 marks	Practical – Communication, Word and Theory	3 periods – advice from SQA is two sittings so a double and a single.	Pupils will have access to a marking grid to allow them to see where they lost marks. Teachers will give detailed verbal feedback going over the paper and pupils will be asked to set next steps based on the marking and feedback and agree these with teachers.
	2. Prelim Question Paper	January	Full Question Paper coverage – 40 marks	Practical – Spreadsheets, Databases and Theory	2 periods plus time for printing	Pupils will have access to a marking grid to allow them to see where they lost marks. Teachers will give detailed verbal feedback going over the paper and pupils will be asked to set next steps based on the marking and feedback and agree these with teachers.
	3. SQA Assignment	March	Full Assignment issued by SQA	Practical – Communication, Word and Theory	3 periods – advice from SQA is two sittings so a double and a single.	Externally marked so no feedback
	4.	April	Full Question Paper – adapted SQA Paper 40 marks	Practical - Spreadsheets, Databases and Theory	2 periods plus time for printing	Pupils will be allocated a grid to allow them see where they lost marks. Teachers will give detailed verbal feedback going over the paper and pupils will be asked to set next steps based on the marking and feedback and agree these with teachers.

Art & Design	1. Question Paper	Class Test – Oct 2021 Prelim Diet May 2022	20%	Written – extended response	1 hour	Daily one to one verbal feedback Interim and final reviews Folio checklists Folio notes
	2. Expressive Folio	March 2022	40%	Practical	Class time – ongoing throughout the year	Daily one to one verbal feedback Interim and final reviews Folio checklists Folio notes
	3. Design Folio	March 2022	40%	Practical	Class time - ongoing throughout the year	Learner conversations and pupil evaluation sheet

Biology	1. End of Unit 1 Assessment	22 nd October 2021	Unit 1 only	Multiple choice and short answer response questions	Single period	Learner conversations and pupil evaluation sheet
	2. Prelim	January 2022	Units 1 and 2	Multiple choice and short answer response questions	2 hours (tbc)	Learner conversations and pupil evaluation sheet
	3. End of Unit 2 Assessment	January/February 2022	Unit 2 only	Multiple choice and short answer response questions	Single period	Learner conversations and pupil evaluation sheet
	4. End of Unit 3 Assessment	April 2022	Unit 3 only	Multiple choice and short answer response questions	Single period	tbc
	5. Units 1, 2 and 3 assessment (tbc depends on time and exams taking place or not)	May 2022	Full course	Multiple choice and short answer response questions	tbc	Pupils will receive written feedback on paper, and detailed verbal feedback when going over marking instructions. They will be asked to self evaluate their performance and set next steps agreed with teacher for revision.

Business Education	1.	December	Full prelim time permitting – full course coverage – weighting 75% final assessment score	Past Paper style – written responses	2 hours (can be split into 3 periods if required)	This is externally assessed so no feedback will be given. Pupils will be receive guidance on selecting a topic, which research methods to use and where to access resources such as guidance from SQA.
	2.	February	Assignment - 25% of final assessment score	Assignment worked on over a number of lessons, research can be carried out at home and write up in school.	Allocated periods in February	Pupils will receive written feedback on paper, and detailed verbal feedback when going over marking instructions. They will be asked to self-evaluate their performance and set next steps agreed with teacher for revision.
	3.	March	Model Paper – adapted SQA – full course weighting	A series of written responses at same level as final assessment.	Completed over a week in Business Education.	Teacher will spend time going over the assessment in class. Pupils will complete a Pupil Evaluation Sheet to target their revision for the prelim and National 5 Exam.

Chemistry	1. Unit 1 Chemical Changes and Structure	Oct 2021	Approx. 33%	Multiple Choice 8 marks Written 22 marks	Single period (45mins)	Teacher will spend time going over the assessment in class. Pupils will complete a Pupil Evaluation Sheet to target their revision for the National 5 Exam.
	2. Prelim	Dec 2021	Approx. 92%	Multiple Choice 25 marks Written 75 marks	3 periods	Teacher will spend time going over the assessment in class. Pupils will complete a Pupil Evaluation Sheet to target their revision for the National 5 Exam.
	3. Unit 3 Chemistry in Society	Mar 2022	Approx. 33%	Multiple Choice 8 marks Written 22 marks	Single period (45mins)	Feedback and checklist

Computing Science	1. Full course written assessment	Dec 2021 at the earliest	Core units (SDD and CS) and 1 optional unit (DDD) 100% course coverage (excluding WDD)	Written	2 periods for pupils without AA needs (3 periods for pupils with AA)	None as externally marked
	2. Assignment (externally marked)	Feb and March	SDD and DDD practical problem solving	Practical task over 6 hours with no teacher intervention	6 hours (9 periods)	Feedback and checklist
	3. Full course written assessment (only if ACM required)	March/April 2021	Core units (SDD and CS) and 1 optional unit (DDD) 100% course coverage (excluding WDD)	Written	2 periods for pupils without AA needs (3 periods for pupils with AA)	Written feedback Learner conversations Feedback PowerPoint

Dance	1. Question Paper	22 October 2021	Section 1&2 of question paper	Written	Single period	Written feedback Learner conversations
	2. Performance Prelim	15 November 2021	35% of course	Practical	Single period	Written feedback Learner conversations Feedback PowerPoint
	3. Question Paper - Prelim	6 December 2021	20% of course – all 3 sections of course	Written	1 hour	Written feedback Learner conversations
	4. Choreography Review	12 January 2022	Part of practical choreography total %	Written	N/A	Written feedback Learner conversations
	5. Choreography – Prelim	31 January 2022	45% of course	Practical	Single period	Written feedback on teams / homework submissions Verbal feedback SQA – Understanding standards exemplification

Design & Manufacture	1. Question Paper	Class Test – Sept, Oct & Nov (3 Parts) Prelim – Nov (3 Periods in a week) Exam Diet	46%	Written – extended response	1 hour 45 mins	Resources on GLOW - Assignment checklists SQA – Instruction for Candidates & Understanding standards exemplification
	2. Assignment - Design	February 2022	29%	Design Folio	Class time – December to February	SQA – Instruction for Candidates & Understanding standards exemplification
	3. Assignment - Practical	March 2022	25%	Practical	Class time – February to March	Teacher will discuss the mark and feedback comments as to how to progress/improve/develop

Drama	1. Practical Prelim	w/b 22 nd November	60%	Practical	Pupils will be allocated one period on a specified day to perform their acting piece	Paper will be marked. Class teacher will go over the paper highlighting areas that require development.
	2. Written Prelim	w/b 6 th December	40%	Extended response questions	2 periods	Pupils will be given marks out of 30 and teachers will review the paper with the class. Pupils will create targets based on self-assessment grid.

English	1. Reading for Understanding, Analysis and Evaluation.	9 th March 2022 (also Paper 1 of prelim)	30% - identical to SQA National 5 English paper 1. 30 marks available.	Passage to read and written answers to 9 questions.	60 minutes	Marked/Graded essay returned where feedback is rooted in the SQA marking grid.
	2. Critical Essay	w/b 21 st Feb 2022 (also Paper 2 of prelim)	20% - same format as one part of paper 2 in SQA National 5 English. 20 marks available.	Pupils write an essay in response to one question (from a choice).	This task is normally bundled with one other as part of a 90 minute paper, so nominally 45mins. In reality some pupils may prefer/need 55-60mins.	Pupils will be given marks out of 20 and teachers will review the paper with the class. Pupils will create targets based on self-assessment grid.
	3. Set Text questions	w/b 7 th Feb 2022 (also Paper 2 of prelim)	20% - same format as one part of paper 2 in SQA National 5 English. 20 marks available.	Pupils are given all/part of a poem which they have studied and answer 4 questions.	This task is normally bundled with one other as part of a 90 minute paper, so nominally 45mins. In reality some pupils may prefer/need 30-35 mins.	Teachers supervise the choice of topic, teach the writing skills and offer limited feedback on one draft.
	4. Folio	Completed by end of February.	30% of final grade.	Independently written essay (1000 words).	Not applicable.	Verbal and written

Fashion and Textile Technology	1. Question Paper	October	30%	Question paper	2 periods	Verbal and written
	2. Prelim Question Paper	December	30%	Question paper	2 periods	Advice and guidance will be provided from the teacher verbally during construction. This is part of the SQA examination so feedback cannot be given on completed work.
	3. Practical Activity	Completed by end of December	35%	Pupils make an item containing eight construction techniques. Photographs of each of the eight construction techniques, along with the finished item are retained for evidence	The practical activity will start week beginning 18th October and work will be ongoing and should be completed by week beginning 20 th December term	Advice and guidance will be provided from the teacher verbally during construction. This is part of the SQA examination so feedback cannot be given on completed work.
	4. Practical Assignment	Completed by April	35%	Written assignment	The practical assignment will start week beginning 5 th January and should be completed by week beginning 21 st March	Learner conversations and pupils assessment evaluations

Geography	1. S3 Exam	September 2021	Units 1 and 2	Written (4-6 mark questions)	Single period	Learner conversations and pupils assessment evaluations
	2. Combined Assessment	October 2021	Population and development, coasts and urban	Written (3-6 mark questions)	Single period	Learner conversations and pupils assessment evaluations
	3. Prelim	December 2021	70% course coverage	Written (3-6 mark questions)	Tbc	Learner conversations and pupils assessment evaluations
	4. Combined Assessment	March 2022	Selection from three units -Physical environment, Human environment & Global issues	Written (3-6 mark questions) including maps.	Single period	tbc
	5. Units 1, 2 and 3 assessment (tbc depends on time and exams taking place or not)	April 2022	Full course	Written (3-6 mark questions)	Tbc	Written feedback on teams / homework submissions Test / Prelim Scores and Marking Instructions Verbal feedback SQA – Understanding Standards

Graphic Communication	1. Question Paper	Class Test – Oct 2021 Prelim Diet – Dec 2021 Exam Diet – May 2022	62%	Written – extended response	1 hour 30 mins	Staff unable to give feedback due to SQA exam conditions In preparation for assignment pupils will have completed a mock assignment and have received the following feedback Daily one to one verbal feedback Written feedback on teams / homework submissions Interim and final reviews Assignment checklists
	2. Assignment	February 2022	38%	Course Assessment Task	Class time – 8 hours under exam conditions January to February	Combination of marks and written feedback, with additional follow up, individually and collectively and exemplification as appropriate

History	1. Free at Last	October of S3	Issue 1 /2	KU and source questions	Approx 1.5 periods	Combination of marks and written feedback, with additional follow up, individually and collectively and exemplification as appropriate
	2. Free at Last	Nov / Dec of S3	Issue 2/3	KU and source questions	Approx 1.5 periods	Combination of marks and written feedback, with additional follow up, individually and collectively and exemplification as appropriate
	3. Free at Last	January of S3	End of unit assessment = samples all Free at Last issues	KU and source questions	Approx 1.5 periods	Combination of marks and written feedback, with additional follow up, individually and collectively and exemplification as appropriate
	4. Migration and Empire	Feb / March of S3	Issues 1/2	KU and source questions	Approx 1.5 periods	Combination of marks and written feedback, with additional follow up, individually and collectively and exemplification as appropriate
	5. Migration and Empire	April of S3	Issues 2/3	KU and source questions	Approx 1.5 periods	Combination of marks and written feedback, with additional follow up, individually and collectively and exemplification as appropriate
	6. Migration and Empire	June – end of S3	End of unit assessment = samples all Migration & Empire issues	KU and source questions	Approx 1.5 periods	Combination of marks and written feedback, with additional follow up, individually and collectively and exemplification as appropriate

	7. The Atlantic Slave Trade	October of S4	Issues 1/2	KU and source questions	Approx 1.5 periods	Combination of marks and written feedback, with additional follow up, individually and collectively and exemplification as appropriate
	8. PRELIM	DECEMBER OF S4	The prelim mirror the breadth, depth and challenge of the final exam. All units and all issues can be sampled.	KU and source questions	2 hrs 20 mins	Combination of marks and written feedback, with additional follow up, individually and collectively and exemplification as appropriate
	9. Atlantic Slave Trade	January / Feb of S4 March of S4	Issues 2/3 End of unit assessment	KU and source questions	Approx 1.5 periods	Prelim Review Sheet (to be signed by parents)

Mathematics	1. Prelim	December (Date TBC)	All Nat 5 topics apart from Trig Graphs, Trig Equations and Trig Identities (Vectors and Similarity no longer assessed in this course for session 2021-2022)	Written assessment Paper 1 – Non-calculator Paper 2 - Calculator	Two double periods	Block Test Review Sheet (to be signed by parents)
	2. Final Assessment	April (Date TBC)	All Nat 5 topics (Vectors and Similarity no longer assessed in this course for session 2021-2022)	Written assessment Paper 1 – Non-calculator Paper 2 - Calculator	Two double periods	Prelim Review Sheet (to be signed by parents)

Applications of Mathematics	1. Prelim	December (Date TBC)	All topics up to and including Gradient on the timeline NB: Scale drawing, planning a navigation route and line of best fit will not be assessed this year as per SQA guidelines.	Written assessment Paper 1 – Non-calculator Paper 2 - Calculator	Two double periods	Block Test Review Sheet (to be signed by parents)
	2. Final Assessment	April (Date TBC)	All Nat 5 Applications topics – full course coverage NB: Scale drawing, planning a navigation route and line of best fit will not be assessed this year as per SQA guidelines.	Written assessment Paper 1 – Non-calculator Paper 2 - Calculator	Two double periods	Whole class (R) One-to-one (Wr)

Modern Languages – French and Spanish	1. Paper 1 Reading and Writing	Prelim diet	Skills based	Question & answer in English Writing in French/Spanish	1 hour 30	Whole class
	2. Paper 2 Listening	Prelim diet	Skills based	Listen to 2 items - Question & answer in English	30 mins approx	One-to-one
	3. Performance- talking	Post-Christmas (Jan – pre-Feb weekend)		Presentation and conversation in French/Spanish	6-8 minutes per candidate	Whole class (R) One-to-one (Wr)
Modern Languages - Mandarin	1. Paper 1 Reading and Writing	Prelim diet	Skills based	Question & answer in English Writing in Mandarin (characters)	2 hours	Whole class
	2. Paper 2 Listening	Prelim diet	Skills based	Listen to 2 items - Question & answer in English	30 mins approx	One-to-one
	3. Performance- talking	Post-Christmas (Jan – pre-Feb weekend)		Presentation and conversation in Mandarin	6-8 minutes per candidate	Combination of marks and written feedback, with additional follow up, individually and collectively and exemplification as appropriate

Modern Studies	Unit 1 World power: USA	Issue 1/2 Oct of S3 Issue 2/3 Nov / Dec S3 End of unit assessment – January of S3. All issues covered.	See previous box	Written assessment. Each assessment has a mix of relevant KU and source questions	Approx. 1.5 periods	Combination of marks and written feedback, with additional follow up, individually and collectively and exemplification as appropriate
	Unit 2 Social inequality: Crime and the Law	Issue 1/2 Feb / March S3 Issue 2/3 April / May S3 End of unit assessment – June S3. All issues covered.	See previous box.	Written assessment. Each assessment has a mix of relevant KU and source questions	Approx. 1.5 periods	Combination of marks and written feedback, with additional follow up, individually and collectively and exemplification as appropriate
	Unit 3 Democracy in Scotland	Issue 1/2 Oct of S4 Issue 2/3 Jan / Feb of S4 End of unit assessment – March of S4. All issues covered,.	See previous box	Written assessment. Each assessment has a mix of relevant KU and source questions	Approx. 1.5 periods	Combination of marks and written feedback, with additional follow up, individually and collectively and exemplification as appropriate
	4. PRELIM	DECEMBER OF S4	The prelim mirrors the breadth, depth and challenge of the final exam. All units and all issues can be sampled.	KU and source questions	2 hrs 20 mins	Written feedback will be given in a marking sheet. Teacher will discuss the mark and feedback comments and how to progress.

Music	1. Practical Prelim	w/b 20 th September	100%	Practical	15 minutes out of a specific class.	Paper will be marked. Pupils will be given a 'perfect paper'. Class teacher will go over the paper highlighting areas that require development
	2. Written Prelim	w/b 6 th December	100%	- Mainly Multiple Choice - Some short answers written	1 period	Paper will be marked. Pupils will be given a 'perfect paper'. Class teacher will go over the paper highlighting areas that require development
	3. Listening Assessment	w/b 23 rd March	100%	- Mainly Multiple Choice - Some short answers written	1 period	Paper will be marked. Pupils will be given a 'perfect paper'. Class teacher will go over the paper highlighting areas that require development
	4. Listening Assessment	w/b 25 th April	100%	- Mainly Multiple Choice - Some short answers written	1 period	Written feedback Learner conversations

PE	1. Portfolio	Ongoing assessment	50% of course	Written	Ongoing	Written comments and mark recorded by assessor
	2. Practical One-Off Performance	November 2021	50% of course	Practical	Dependant on activity	Class feedback on solutions, individual learner conversations,

Physics	1. Waves & Radiation End of Unit Test	Christmas 2020	All the content from the unit.	Written paper (40 marks)	Single period	Class feedback on solutions, individual learner conversations,
	2. Dynamics & Space End of Unit Test	June / August 2021	All the content from the unit.	Written paper (42 marks)	Single period	Class feedback on solutions, individual learner conversations, personalised feedback documents
	3. Preliminary Examination	Christmas 2021	Content from Waves & Radiation, Dynamics & Space and first half of Electricity and Energy. At least 85% coverage of the course.	Consists of 20 multiple choice (each worth 1 mark) and a written section (worth 90 marks which is scaled to 60).	Two hours	Class feedback on solutions, individual learner conversations, personalised feedback documents
	4. Top Up Exam	March 2022	Covers remaining part of the Electricity and Energy unit and samples content from the earlier part of the course.	Made up two papers, paper 1 - 10 multiple choice (each worth 1 mark) - and paper 2 - a written paper (worth 45 marks which is scaled to 30).	15 minutes are allocated to paper 1 and 50 minutes to paper 2.	Resources on GLOW SQA – Instruction for Candidates & Understanding standards exemplification Review of key elements

Practical Metalworking	1. Project	March 2022	79%	Practical	Class time – ongoing from November 2021	SQA – Instruction for Candidates & Understanding standards exemplification
	2. Log Book	March 2022	21%	Written	Class time – ongoing throughout the year	Resources on GLOW SQA – Instruction for Candidates & Understanding standards exemplification Review of key elements
Practical Woodworking	1. Project	March 2022	79%	Practical	Class time – ongoing from November 2021	SQA – Instruction for Candidates & Understanding standards exemplification
	2. Log Book	March 2022	21%	Written	Class time – ongoing throughout the year	