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Dear Parent/Carer/Employer

Parents' Information Evening

Curriculum for Excellence is an ongoing development across all Scottish schools and Blairgowrie High School is no exception in planning ahead for the new qualifications. In order to ensure that parents are kept up to date with developments, an information evening will be held in the school assembly hall on **Thursday 6 November 2014 from 5.45pm – 8.00pm.**

This event will provide parents with key information about curriculum progression as well as the new National Qualifications Framework and Results Service. This evening will therefore be of particular relevance to parents of pupils currently in S3 and S4 years although all parents are most welcome. Local employers may also find the information on Scottish Qualifications useful for recruitment purposes. The evening will comprise of separate presentations followed by an opportunity to ask questions of the school management team. Presentations will be run at different times to allow parents to attend an individual session at a suitable time or all sessions. (Please note that class teachers will not be present to give individual pupil progress information.)

We look forward to working with you to support your son/daughter and would ask that you complete the return below if you wish to attend any of the sessions.

Yours sincerely

Beverly A Leslie

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Pupil name: _____ Class: _____

I wish to attend the following sessions on 6 November 2014: please tick
(Outline of session content overleaf)

SESSIONS	Session 1 5.45pm – 6.00pm	Session 2 6.00pm – 6.45pm	Session 3 6.45pm - 7.15pm	Session 4 7.15pm – 7.45pm	Session 5 7.45pm – 8.00pm
Curriculum Pathways for Pupils (Parents of pupils in all years)	n/a		n/a	n/a	n/a
National Qualifications Structure (Parents and Employers)	n/a	n/a			n/a
Exam Assessment and Results Service (Parents S4-S6 only)	n/a	n/a			n/a
HMI Follow-up letter Questions (Parents of pupils in all years)		n/a	n/a	n/a	

Curriculum Pathways for Pupils – Session 2 only

This session is aimed at an audience of parents of pupils in any year.

The aims of the session are to:

- Review the change to National Qualifications
- explain the changes in senior phase structure over the next 2 years
- show how a young person gathers and builds on qualifications throughout their senior phase S4 -S6 through Learner Journeys

National Qualifications Structure – Session 3 or Session 4

This session is aimed at an audience of parents and local employers.

The aims of the session are to:

- introduce the Scottish Qualifications Framework
- explain which qualifications are available in a secondary school setting
- show how a young person gathers and builds on qualifications throughout their senior phase S4 -S6

Exam Assessment and Results Service - Session 3 or Session 4

This session is aimed at an audience of parents of pupils in S4-S6.

The aims of the session are to:

- explain how qualifications are gained over the course of a year
- demonstrate the importance of internal assessments
- explain the new Results Service which has replaced “appeals”
- explain what happens when a pupil is unable to sit an exam

HMI Follow-up Letter Questions - Session 1 or Session 5

This session is aimed at an audience of parents of pupils in any year.

The aim of the session is to give parents the opportunity to ask questions regarding the HMI letter which will be issued to parents of all pupils.

Please Note: these HMI sessions will only take place if the letter has been published prior to Thursday 6 November.