

# Balfron High School



The Senior Phase Information Evening  
26 September 2016



# Welcome

## Purpose & Format

To increase awareness of senior phase courses

- Outline of courses
- Assessments
- Resources available for young people and parents
- Input from English & Maths (theatre)
- All other subjects – Atrium
- Powerpoint will go on website

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Scholar (revision materials)

# English

## National 4 & 5



### National 4

- 4 internally assessed outcomes
- Added Value Unit
- Literacy

### National 5

- 4 internally assessed outcomes
- Folio
- Exam

# Course Outline – National 4



## Internally Assessed Outcomes

- Reading
- Writing
- Talking
- Listening
- “straightforward texts”

## Added Value Unit

- Choosing 2 texts on a topic
- Analysing and evaluating them
- Presenting findings on the texts
- Answering questions from the audience

**All internally assessed and  
subject to verification**

# National 5



## Internally Assessed Outcomes

- Reading
- Writing
- Talking
- Listening
- “detailed texts”

## The Folio

- 1 piece – Personal/Reflective or Creative  
= 15 marks
- 1 piece – Discursive  
= 15 marks
- Word Limit: 1000 words

# National 5 The Exam



## Paper 1

Reading for Understanding,  
Analysis and Evaluation  
(Close Reading)

= 30 marks

## Paper 2

Critical Reading

a) The Scottish Text

= 20 marks

b) The Critical Essay

= 20 marks

# National 5 Deadlines



- 1<sup>st</sup> folio piece 1<sup>st</sup> draft – September
- Redraft – October
- 2<sup>nd</sup> folio piece 1<sup>st</sup> draft – December
- Redraft – February

## Outcome Assessment Dates

- Reading - October
- Writing – folio
- Talking – AVU/Scottish Text
- Listening – September

Reassessments – variable

**Prelim – January**



# English

## National 5 and Higher



### National 5

- 4 internally assessed outcomes
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### Higher

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- Folio
- Exam



# Mathematics

## National 3, 4 & 5



### National 3/(2)

- 3 internally assessed outcomes

### National 4

- 3 internally assessed outcomes
- Added Value Unit

### National 5

- 3 internally assessed outcomes
- Exam

# National 3



## Internally Assessed Outcomes

- Numeracy
- Shape, space and measures
- Managing money and data

## Course Assessment

- There is no exam or added value unit at National 3

# National 4



## Internally Assessed Outcomes

- Numeracy
- Expressions and Formulae
- Relationships

Assessment throughout the year.  
Practice assessments available on the school website.

## Added Value

- Internally assessed exam
- Part I non-calculator  
20 minutes
- Part II calculator  
40 minutes

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# National 5 SQA Assessments



## Internally Assessed Outcomes

- Expressions and Formulae
- Relationships
- Applications

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the school website.

## Exam

- Externally assessed exam
- Part I non-calculator  
1 hour (40 marks)
- Part II calculator  
1 hour 30 minutes  
(50 marks)

# National 5

## Assessments for next steps



### Extended Unit Assessments

- Expressions and Formulae
- Relationships
- Applications

### Prelim (end of January)

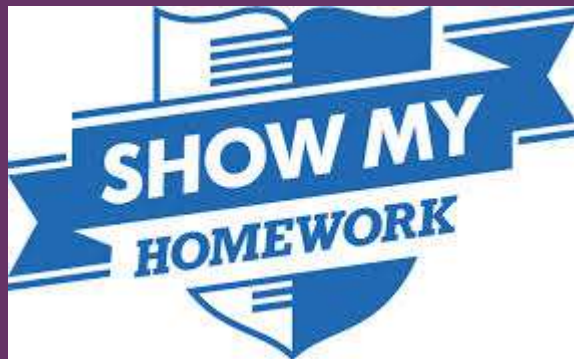
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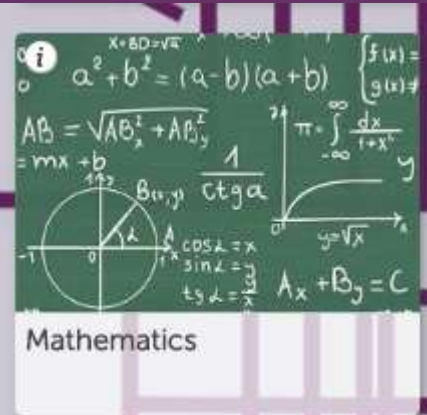
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## Showmyhomework



## Website



Mathematics



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# English

## National 5 and Higher



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# National 5

# Higher



## Internally Assessed Outcomes

- Reading
- Writing
- Talking
- Listening
- “detailed”

## Internally Assessed Outcomes

- Reading
- Writing
- Talking
- Listening
- “complex texts”



# The Folio

- **National 5**
- 1 piece – Personal/Reflective or Creative  
= 15 marks
- 1 piece – Discursive  
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- Word Limit: 1000 words

- **Higher**
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= 15 marks
- 1 piece – Discursive  
= 15 marks
- Word Limit: 1300 words

# National 5 and Higher The Exam



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# Advanced Higher



## Internally Assessed Outcomes

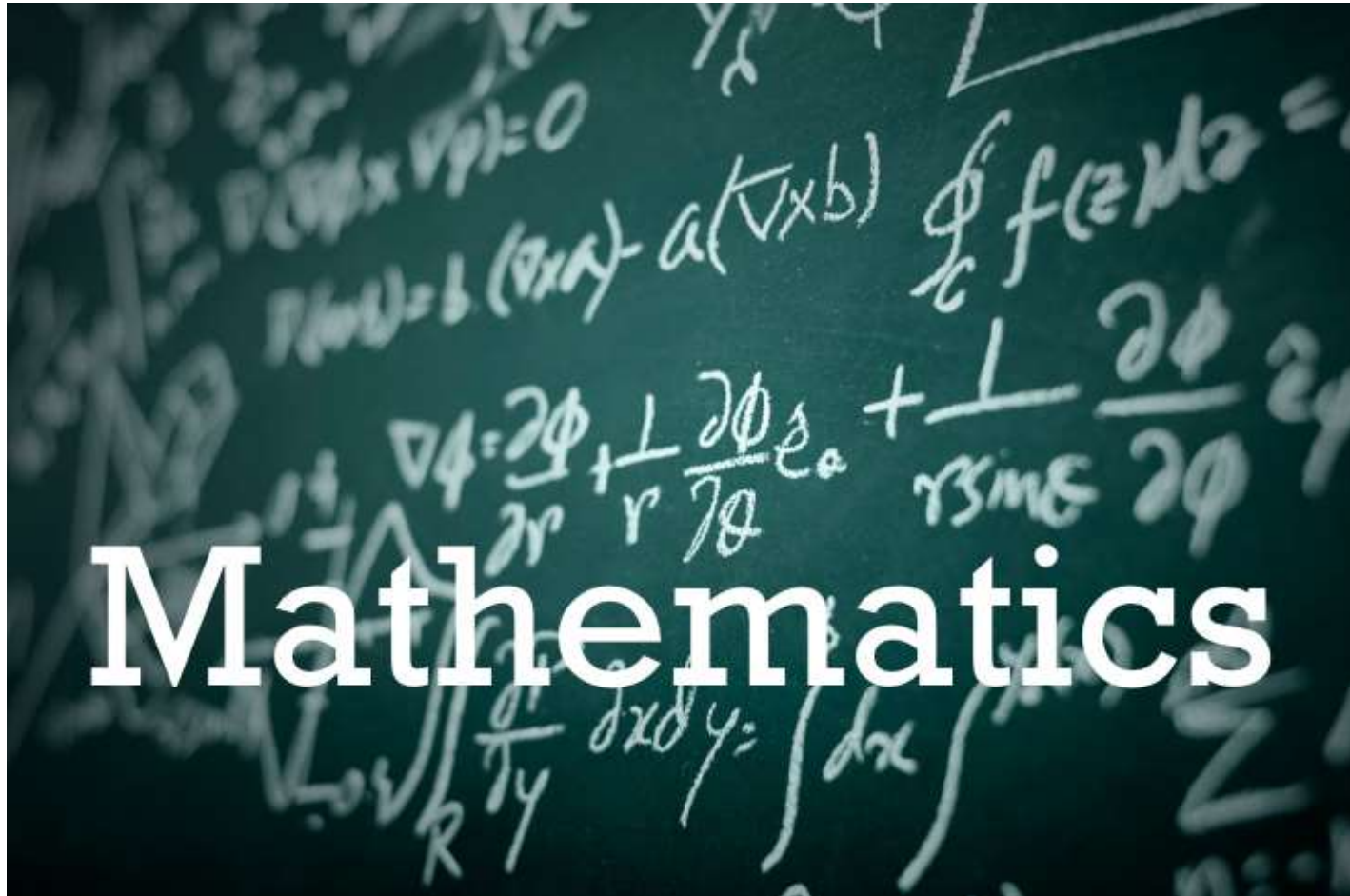
1. Critical Essay
2. Develop research skills
3. Folio

“complex and sophisticated”

## Course Assessment

- Folio 30 marks (2 pieces)
- Dissertation 30 marks (2500-3000 words)
- Exam:
  - Literary Study (1 question comparing texts) - 20 marks
  - Textual Analysis – 20 marks

# S5/6 Mathematics



# National 4/National 5 Numeracy



## Internally Assessed Outcomes

- Numeracy
- Expressions and Formulae
- Relationships

National 5 Numeracy Unit

## National 4 Added Value

- Internally assessed exam  
National 4: Part I non-calculator 20 minutes
- National 4: Part II  
calculator 40 minutes

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the school website.

# National 5 SQA Assessments



## Internally Assessed Outcomes

- Expressions and Formulae
- Relationships
- Applications

Assessment throughout the year.  
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## Exam

- Externally assessed exam
- Part I non-calculator  
1 hour (40 marks)
- Part II calculator  
1 hour 30 minutes  
(50 marks)

# National 5

## Assessments for next steps



### Extended Unit Assessments

- Expressions and Formulae (after Oct)
- Relationships (before Christmas)
- Applications (before Easter)

### Prelim (end of January)

- Part I non-calculator  
1 hour (40 marks)
- Part II calculator  
1 hour 30 minutes  
(50 marks)

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# CfE Higher SQA Assessments



## Internally Assessed Outcomes

- Expressions and Functions
- Relationships and Calculus
- Applications
- **Assessment throughout the year. Practice assessments available on the school website.**

## Exam

- Externally assessed exam
- Part I non-calculator  
1 hour 10 mins  
(60 marks)
- Part II calculator  
1 hour 30 minutes  
(70 marks)

# CfE Higher

## Assessments for next steps



### Extended Unit Assessments

- Extended Assessment 1 (after Oct)
- Extended Assessment 2 (before Christmas)
- Extended Assessment 3 (before Easter)

### Prelim (end of January)

- Part I non-calculator  
1 hour (40 marks)
- Part II calculator  
1 hour 30 minutes  
(50 marks)

Pupils will be offered a full course assessment post Easter

# Advanced Higher SQA Assessments



## Internally Assessed Outcomes

- Methods in Algebra and Calculus
- Applications of Algebra and Calculus
- Geometry, Proof and Systems of Equations

**Assessment throughout the year.**

## Exam

- Externally assessed exam
- One paper of 3 hours (100 marks)



# Advanced Higher Assessments for next steps



## Extended Unit Assessments

- Extended Assessment 1 (after Oct)
- Extended Assessment 2 (before Christmas)
- Extended Assessment 3 (before Easter)

## Prelim (end of January)

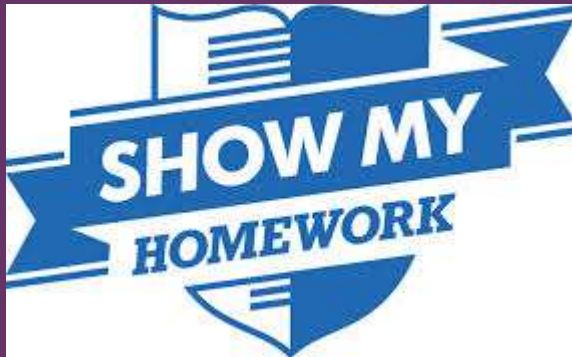
- One paper of 3 hours on Unit 1 and Unit 2 only (100 marks)

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## Website

