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Dear Parent/Carer

As you will be aware the SQA exam diet is approaching. I want to share some key information from ourselves and the SQA to support your child in this experience.

Study leave arrangements for SQA Exam Diet

Students sitting **3 or more exams** are entitled to study leave. This will be **Monday 29th April to Wednesday 29th May** (inclusive). Students who do not meet this requirement are expected to attend school as normal to revise for their exams and finish any coursework.

If your child meets the criteria for study leave but you wish for your child to remain in school and in classes, please contact the school office (via our school email address) so this can be reflected in the attendance registers.

Likewise, if your child does not meet the criteria above but you would prefer they work at home, please send a request via email.

Exam Preparation

Departments have offered Study Support throughout the session (please refer to previous communications for specific times). These will continue to run until the start of exam leave. We would encourage students to engage with these additional support measures as part of their exam preparation:

A programme of **Subject Immersion Days** is planned to help final exam preparations and will be offered throughout the exam diet. Please encourage your child to attend to help maximise preparedness for exams:

Subject	Level	Date	Location
English	National 5	Thursday 2nd May (PM only)	English Dept
English	Higher	Wednesday 8th May (PM only)	English Dept
Music	Higher	Monday 22nd April (AM only)	Music Dept
Music	Advanced Higher	Monday 22nd April (AM only)	Music Dept

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Music	National 5	Monday 22nd April (PM only)	Music Dept
Music technology	National 5	Friday 26th April (P1&2)	Music Dept
Music technology	Higher	Friday 26th April (P3&4)	Music Dept
Maths	National 5	Thursday 2nd May	Maths Dept
Maths	Higher	Fri 10th May	Maths Dept
Maths	Advanced Higher	Fri 10th May	Maths Dept
Spanish	Nat 5	Wed 1st May P3&4 (normal Spanish time)	Room 16
Spanish	Higher / AH	Thurs 2nd May P1&2 (normal Spanish time)	Room 16
Chemistry	Higher/N5	Tuesday 21st Period 6/7	Room 52
Chemistry	Higher/N6	Thursday 16th Period 6/7	Room 52
Practical Cookery	National 5	Tuesday 7th May period 2 & 3	HE Dept
Admin & IT	N5	Mon 29th April	Room 32
Design and Manufacture	H/N5	Tues 30th April	Room 38
History	N5	Tuesday 14th May all day	Room 24
History	Higher	Monday 13th May all day	Room 24
RMPS	National 5	Wednesday 8th May (P1-5 only)	RMPS Dept
RMPS	Higher	Wednesday 8th May (P1-5 only)	RMPS Dept
Modern Studies	Higher	Wednesday 24th April (P1-4 only)	Room 26
Physics	Higher	Monday 22nd April (P4-7)	Room 34
Physics	National 5	Thursday 25th April (P1-4)	Room 34/35
French	Higher	Tuesday 23rd P6-P7 (Normal French time)	Room 11
French	Nat 5	Monday 22nd P1-P2/Wednesday 24th P1-P2 (Normal French time)	Room 11
Biology	Nat 5	Mon 13th May P1-P3	Room 49
Biology	Higher	Mon 13th May P4-7	Room 53
Biology	AH	Thursday 9th May P1-P4	Room 53
Business Management	N5/H	Wednesday 1st May N5 P1-4, Higher 5-7	Room 32
Photography	Higher	Tuesday 23- P1&2 Higher Photography	Room 56

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Art and Design	N5	Monday 27 May all day	Room 59
Art and Design	Higher	Wednesday 22 May all day	Room 58

SUCCEED - Revision Toolkit

SUCCEED is an innovative learning and revision toolkit designed to enhance study skills, exam techniques, motivation, and student well-being. It offers a comprehensive suite of tools and resources, including:

- **Learning Guides**: Improve understanding of study strategies, exam preparation, target setting and much more
- **Learner Profile**: Self-evaluate strengths and areas for development
- **Flashcards**: Boost understanding and memory with customisable flashcards
- **Study Log**: Monitor progress and study habits to help achieve academic targets
- **Revision Timetable**: Create a personalised revision timetable reflecting each student's unique learning needs and timelines
- **Journal**: Encourage self-awareness and growth through personal reflection on learning

Students can access SUCCEED by clicking the button found in the upper right-hand corner on ACHIEVE.

The Exams

- Students must **arrive a minimum of 20 minutes (we would advise 30)** before each exam
- If a situation arises where they may be late please advise the school as soon as possible. A doctor's certificate must be provided for any illness.
- Students will be registered in the exam hall by the invigilation team and do not need to sign in at school reception.
- **No electronic devices are permitted,** this includes smart watches, phones etc. Any student caught with any device will be reported directly to the SQA by the Chief Invigilator with further steps taken by the SQA directly.
- Students can access the exam timetable **Exam timetable and learner apps - SQA**
- During the first week after the Easter break all students will receive individual exam timetables. These will include any AAAs.
- Students may go home after each exam, however space will be made available in school if they wish to remain and study.
- Students should bring all relevant equipment, stationary, including calculators where appropriate.
- Students should arrange their own way home for exams that finish after 3.30 pm Monday – Thursday and 12:15 pm on a Friday.
- Students should continue to follow the school dress code throughout the exam diet. S6 Leaver Hoodies will not be permitted in examination rooms.

SQA Information

There is further information for students on the following site:
https://www.sqa.org.uk/sqa/71526.html . This highlights key information surrounding the upcoming examinations which they may find helpful .

The complete exam timetable and links to the SQA student apps can be found using the following link **Exam timetable and learner apps - SQA**

Additional information can be found on the SQA website (www.sqa.org.uk).

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to wish all the candidates every success in the examinations and thank you for the support you continue to give our school to maintain our high standards throughout this exam period.

Yours faithfully

C Biddick

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Headteacher