

Harlaw Academy

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Dear Parent/Carer

As planned, our preliminary examinations for National 5, Higher and Advanced Higher will start on Monday 17 January and will finish on Friday 28 January 2022. During this time all S4, S5 and S6 pupils will be off timetable. We understand a number of pupils will wish to take the opportunity to study at home and travel into school when they have assessments to undertake. Any pupil wishing to study in school must inform their Guidance Teacher and ensure that they sign in and out at the main office. Pupils will study in the 'Snack bar' area next to the SLT corridor.

All pupils with Exam Additional Arrangements have had their arrangements confirmed with them directly by the Support for Learning team. Mr Mitchell, Faculty Head for Support for Learning is also confirming the arrangements directly with parents/carers.

Alternative arrangements have been made for any pupils with a clash of exams.

The Guidance team have gone over exam expectations with all pupils. Please find attached a copy of the expectations issued to pupils.

It is important to remember that in previous years, prior to the cancellation of SQA examinations, assessment evidence gathered throughout the year was required when submitting an Exceptional Circumstances Request (Appeal) where a pupil performed below expectation or was unable to sit an exam in the May diet. It is therefore really important that pupils prepare fully and attend punctually.

All pupils have been advised on how best to prepare for their exams by their teachers and we encourage parents/carers to give every support at this important time.

If your child is unable to sit an exam due to illness or for any other valid reason, please can you inform the school office by 8:15am on the day of the exam.

We wish all our candidates the very best for their preliminary exams.

Yours sincerely

Miss A McLellan
Depute Headteacher