

S5-6 Prelims January 2023

Information for Pupils



Welcome to your prelims! These are a **practice** for your national **qualifications**. Take them seriously; but remember to balance them with our other two priorities for this year: **wellbeing and leadership**.

What are prelims for?

1. Prelims are practice assessments. They are to give you the experience of what a real exam will look like.
2. Don't panic about mistakes. Prelims' most important job is to give you a chance to get things not quite right, and then fix them.
3. Prelims can, occasionally, also be used to help generate a qualification if you are unable to make an exam (for example if you're sick on the day). However, remember that this is not their main job, and that you get other chances to do well in the summer, and in S6 or beyond.

When are my prelims?

The assessment timetable is below. This is also on your Teams page.

You will also be given an individual timetable next week. Some students and some subjects have different arrangements so check your individual timetable for those.

Where do I need to be during prelim fortnight?

1. Check the dates and times of the assessments you are taking and inform Mr Hayes (Depute Headteacher) immediately if you have any concern or assessment clashes. If you have alternate assessment arrangements, please check your timetable carefully and see Mrs Hall in *Support for Learning* if you have a query.
2. Days you **do have** an assessment - only attend this and not your normal classes. Arrive 15 minutes before the assessment starts and you must leave the school and go home afterwards.
3. Days you **do not** have assessments – S5 must attend your normal classes where you will have a supervised study period. S6 can study at home. Please ensure you bring revision materials on these days.
4. On **Monday 30th January** you will return to your normal timetable.
5. On the day of an assessment if you are late or can't come in you must contact the School Office immediately by telephoning 0131 229 9703.

What do I do on the day of an exam?

- During the prelims you must **wear school dress code**.
- Bring with you pens, pencils, rulers, calculators, protractors, French/German dictionaries and whatever else you may need for a specific assessment. They cannot be taken into the room inside a bag/pencil case.
- You must meet outside the assessment room at least 10 minutes before the assessment is due to start.
- Listen carefully to instructions given in the assessment room.
- Leave all mobile phones and smart watches (e.g. Apple Watch) at home as they must not be taken into the assessment rooms (this follows SQA regulations).
- All outdoor clothing, bags, pencil cases etc. must be left at the side of the Room. Do not bring valuable items to assessments as there is nowhere secure to leave them.
- With the exception of bottled water, no food or drink may be taken into the assessment room without specific approval.
- Please enter and leave the assessment room as quietly as possible in order not to disturb other candidates already at work. For the same reason do not linger outside or near any other classroom/assessment room.
- You may not leave the assessment room without the permission of the invigilator and only once you have double checked your work.
- No textbooks or notes are allowed in the assessment room unless authorised by the invigilator.
- Absolute silence must be maintained throughout all assessments. If you require more paper, or have a serious problem, raise your hand to attract the invigilator's attention.
- Do not attempt to communicate in any way with other candidates during the assessment and keep your eyes firmly focused on your own assessment paper. Keep your assessment and answer papers flat on your desk throughout the assessment.
- You must leave the school and return home at the end of each assessment unless you have a 2nd assessment that day.

Date	AM/PM	Prelim	Level	Location
Friday 13 January 2023	8.30-9.15	Mathematics – P1 (Non-calc)	AH	Sports Hall
	10.30-12.00	Mathematics – P2 (Calc)	AH	Sports Hall
	8.30-9.45	Mathematics – P1 (Non-calc)	Higher	Sports Hall
	10.30-12.00	Mathematics – P2 (Calc)	Higher	Sports Hall
	8.30-9.30	Mathematics – P1 (Non-calc)	Nat 5	Assembly Hall
	10.30-12.00	Mathematics – P2 (Calc)	Nat 5	Assembly Hall
	8.30-10.30	Applications of Maths	Higher	Rms 2:08, 2:10
	8.30-9.20	Applications of Maths – P1 (Non-Calc)	Nat 5	Rm 3:09
	10.30-12.10	Applications of Maths – P2 (Calc)	Nat 5	Rm 3:09
Monday 16 January 2023	8.30-11.30	Chemistry	AH	Assembly Hall
	8.30-9.10	Chemistry – P1	Higher	Sports Hall
	10.30-12.50	Chemistry – P2	Higher	Sports Hall
	10.30-12.15	Practical Cookery – P1	Nat 5	Sports Hall
	8.30-9.30	Practical Cookery – P2	Nat 5	Sports Hall
	14.00-14.50	Art & Design	Higher	Sports Hall
	14.00-15.00	Art & Design	Nat 5	Sports Hall
13.30-15.30	Physical Education	Higher	Assembly Hall	
Tuesday 17 January 2023	8.30-10.00	English – P1	AH	Assembly Hall
	11.00-12.30	English – P2	AH	Assembly Hall
	8.30-10.00	English – P1 (RUAE)	Higher	Sports Hall
	11.00-12.30	English – P2 (CR)	Higher	Sports Hall
	8.30-9.30	English – P1 (RUAE)	Nat 5	Assembly Hall
	11.00-12.30	English – P2 (CR)	Nat 5	Assembly Hall
	13.30-14.20	Spanish – P2 (Listening)	AH	Rm 2:14
	13.30-14.00	Spanish – P2 (Listening)	Higher	Sports Hall
	14.30-15.00	French – P2 (Listening)	Higher	Sports Hall
	13.30-14.00	German – P2 (Listening)	Higher	Library
14.30-15.00	Mandarin – P2 (Listening)	Higher	Library	
Wednesday 18 January 2023	8.30-11.30	RMPS	AH	Sports Hall
	8.30-10.45	RMPS – P1	Higher	Assembly Hall
	8.30-11.00	Drama	Higher	Sports Hall
	13.30-15.30	Computing Science	AH	Sports Hall
	13.30-15.30	Computing Science	Higher	Sports Hall
	13.30-15.30	Health & Food Technology	Higher	Sports Hall
13.30-15.20	Health & Food Technology	Nat 5	Sports Hall	
Thursday 19 January 2023	8.30-11.15	Business Management	AH	Sports Hall
	8.30-10.30	Business Management	Higher	Sports Hall
	8.30-10.00	Business Management	Nat 5	Sports Hall
	8.30-11.00	Engineering Science	Higher	Sports Hall
Friday 20 January 2023	8.30-10.30	Modern Studies	AH	Sports Hall
	8.30-9.40	Modern Studies – P1	Higher	Sports Hall
	11.00-12.15	Modern Studies – P2	Higher	Sports Hall
	8.30-10.30	German – P1 (R/W)	Higher	Assembly Hall
	8.30-10.30	Mathematics of Mechanics	AH	Assembly Hall

Date	AM/PM	Prelim	Level	Location
Monday 23 January 2023	8.30-11.00	Biology	AH	Assembly Hall
	8.30-9.10	Biology – P1	Higher	Sports Hall
	10.30-12.30	Biology – P2	Higher	Sports Hall
	8.30-9.10	Human Biology – P1	Higher	Sports Hall
	10.30-12.30	Human Biology – P2	Higher	Sports Hall
	13.30-15.15	Media Studies	Higher	Sports Hall
Tuesday 24 January 2023	8.30-10.30	Economics	Higher	Sports Hall
	8.30-10.40	History	AH	Sports Hall
	8.30-10.00	History – P1	Higher	Assembly Hall
	11.00-12.30	History – P2	Higher	Assembly Hall
	8.30-11.10	Mandarin – P1 (R/W)	Higher	Sports Hall
	13.30-15.00	Geography	AH	Assembly Hall
	13.30-15.20	Geography	Higher	Sports Hall
Wednesday 25 January 2023	8.30-10.30	French – P1 (R/W)	Higher	Sports Hall
	8.30-10.45	Design & Manufacture	AH	Sports Hall
	8.30-10.45	Design & Manufacture	Higher	Sports Hall
	8.30-9.30	Statistics – P1	AH	Assembly Hall
	10.30-12.30	Statistics – P2	AH	Assembly Hall
	13.30-15.00	Spanish – P1 (R/W)	AH	Sports Hall
	13.30-15.30	Spanish – P1 (R/W)	Higher	Sports Hall
	13.30-15.30	Graphic Communication	Higher	Sports Hall
Thursday 26 January 2023	8.30-10.45	Philosophy – P1	Higher	Assembly Hall
	11.30-13.15	Philosophy – P2	Higher	Assembly Hall
	8.30-10.30	Physics	AH	Sports Hall
	8.30-9.15	Physics – P1	Higher	Sports Hall
	11.00-13.00	Physics – P2	Higher	Sports Hall
Friday 27 January 2023	12.00-13.45	Music	AH	Rm G:01
	12.00-13.00	Music	Higher	Assembly Hall
Monday 30 January 2023		Art Practical	Higher	Rms G:04 and G:05