

Boroughmuir High School S4,5,6 Assessment Calendars 2023-24

September 2023



This is a guide to the assessment demands of each course. Some deadlines may change during the year so students should always check with their teacher. Please note that this year for many subjects the SQA has re-introduced coursework- usually called 'Assignments'. To support students, we are developing the use of their iPads as a diary to note these deadlines. Families may like to use this document and the students 'Outlook' calendar app and 'Teams' app to help schedule and plan for homework and assignment deadlines. We recommend that families arrange themselves a weekly 'check in' so that parents, carers and students can discuss and plan together.

This document contains separate tables for the following courses: **National 4, National 5, NPA, Higher and Advanced Higher**

National 4 Courses:

National 4 Courses	Folio / Assignment / Performance (counts toward final grade)	Mark or % of final grade)	Marked by	Outline of assignment / folio / performance	Completion Dates	School Support
Administration and IT	2 Units and Added Value Unit (AVU)	Pass/ fail	Internal, subject to SQA verification	Pupils must complete a combined unit assessment which contains both practical and theory elements. No Added Value Unit in 2022-23	April 2024	Teacher support in class. Practical tasks are open book. Pupils have access to similar tasks to help complete unit assessments. Revision materials are in OneNote. Lunchtime study support on Thursdays.
Art & Design	Design and Expressive folio	Pass / fail	Internal, subject to SQA verification	Design Project and expressive project (No added Value unit in 2021-22) Outcome 2 required for expressive but not design.	By arrangement with teacher	Study classes after school, home study encouraged
Applications of Mathematics	3 units	Pass/Fail	Internal but subject to SQA verification	Finance and statistics Geometry and measures Numeracy (No Added Value unit required in 2022-2023)	Classes and individuals will sit these units at different times.	Teacher support in S4 Nat 4 class and S5/S6 Nat 5 class, revision materials provided.
NPA Bakery Level 4	4 units Craft Bakery N4 Bread N4 Cake baking and decoration N4 Pastry N5	Pass/ Fail	Internally assessed but subject to SQA verification	Folio of evidence gathered throughout the course. Each unit is assessed twice throughout course delivery once all outcomes covered.	Assessments to be completed by end of March 2024.	Teams Page Resourced by unit

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Biology	3 Units	Pass/ Fail	Internal but subject to SQA verification	3 unit assessments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Life on Earth • Multicellular Organisms • Cell Biology Added Value unit	March 2024	Support materials shared on Teams and SharePoint. Individual/ Group support available by request.
Business	2 units AVU	Pass/Fail	Internal, subject to SQA verification	Business in Action – case study and questions Influences on Business – case study and questions Added Value Unit – short Business report	April 2024	Teacher support in class, revision materials on OneNote, study classes after school
Chemistry	3 units	Pass/Fail	Internal but subject to SQA verification	3 Unit assessments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chemical Changes and structure • Natures Chemistry • Chemistry in Society Added value unit	By March 2024	Lunchtime Chemistry study support sessions (Monday-Thursday)
Computing Science	3 units	Pass/Fail	Internal, subject to SQA verification	Written and practical task in both units: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Software Design and Development • Web design and development • Added Value Unit – longer project demonstrating analysis, design, implementation, testing and evaluation 	Software Design and Development and Information Systems Design and Development unit will be completed in class time throughout the year. Added Value Unit will be completed between January and March 2024 in class lesson.	Practical tasks are open book. Pupils have access to similar tasks to help complete unit assessments. Written unit assessments will be carried out in class time when class teacher feels pupils are ready. All revision materials are on OneNote.

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Design & Manufacture	Coursework units including: manufacturing, design, Course assessment	Pass / fail	Internal, subject to SQA verification	Coursework Units	By arrangement with class teacher	Study classes after school, home study encouraged
Digital Media NPA Level 4	3 units	Pass / fail	Internal, subject to SQA verification	Practical portfolio of evidence	May 2024 final submission date. Units will be completed throughout year	Practical tasks are open book. Pupils have access to similar tasks to help complete unit assessments.
English	Creation and Production Unit Analysis and Evaluation Unit Literacy Unit	pass/fail	Internal and subject to SQA external verification	In-class assessments and evidence gathering to meet assessment standards in reading, Writing, talking and Listening	Throughout year	In class support
Health & Food Technology	4 Units	Pass/ Fail	Internal, subject to SQA verification	Food for Health Unit Contemporary Food Issues Food Product development Assignment – Added Value	April 2024	Class teams page is well resourced With channels set up for each unit of work. Revision materials provided Study classes weekly and individual support by arrangement.
Mathematics	3 units	Pass/Fail	Internal but subject to SQA verification	Expressions and Formulae Relationships Numeracy (No Added Value unit required in 2022-2023)	Classes and individuals will sit these units at different times.	Teacher support in S4 Nat 4 classes and in some S4 Nat 5 classes, revision materials provided.
Modern Languages French German Spanish Mandarin	N/A	N/A		Pupils must complete one assessment in each of the skills of reading/listening/speaking/writing and the Added Value Unit	These are carried out in school on an ongoing basis. The National 4 course is internally marked, but subject to external verification. We aim to complete all assessments by the Easter Break at the latest, but	Teacher support in class, revision materials provided, plenty of notice given prior to dates of assessments

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					potentially earlier than that.	
Media	Folio	100%	Internal	Individual work where pupils need to complete tasks on the key aspects as evidence that they have completed the individual units showing knowledge and understanding.	April 2024	All work to be support and done in class time. Support materials will also be available on Teams.
Music	Practical performance	50%	Internally assessed	Undertake a full practical performance prelim on two instruments or one instrument and voice (8 mins in total)	Ongoing	In-class teaching and planning, 365 and further one-to-one support by arrangement with staff. Lunchtime practice clubs.
	Composition assignment	15%	Internally assessed	Completion of composition and composition review	Ongoing	In-class teaching and planning, Teams, SQA exemplars and further one-to-one support by arrangement with staff.
	Understanding Music	35%	Internally assessed	Completion of listening tasks and assessments to show K+U of key concepts	Ongoing	In-class teaching and planning, Teams, SQA exemplars and further one-to-one support by arrangement with staff.
Photography NPA Level 4	Completed digital course	Pass / fail	Internal, subject to SQA verification	Completed powerpoint and photo folders shared with teacher	Fri 3rd March	Study classes after school, home study encouraged
Physics	3 Units	Pass/ Fail	Internal but subject to SQA verification	3 unit assessments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Electricity and Energy • Waves and Radiation • Dynamics and Space Added value unit	March 2024	Tuesday lunch time and after school. Resources shared on Teams and SharePoint

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Practical Cookery	4 Units	Pass/ Fail	Internal but subject to SQA verification	Cookery processes and techniques Understanding and Using Ingredients Organisation of Practical Skills Added Value Unit Preparing a Meal	April 2024	Class teams page is well resourced With channels set up for each unit of work. Revision materials provided Study classes weekly and individual support by arrangement
Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	4 Units	Pass/ Fail	Internal but subject to SQA verification	World Religion Morality Religious and Philosophical Questions Added Value Unit	April 2024	Class teams page and OneNote Study packs and weekly revision sessions by arrangement with class teacher.
English	3 Units	Pass/ Fail	Internal but subject to SQA verification	Creation and Production Analysis and Evaluation Literacy	April 2024	Thursday drop-in sessions All work can be managed and supported within timetabled classes
Physical Education	Portfolio Performance Assessment	Pass / Fail Pass / Fail	Internal but subject to SQA verification	Written Portfolio complete in class throughout the year. Pupils assessed in one activity of their choice.	March 2024	Lunchtime and Afterschool sessions are available through consultation with PE staff. We will 'invite' pupils to additional sessions where required.

National 5 Courses:

National 5 Courses	Folio / Assignment / Performance (counts toward final grade)	Mark (percentage) of final grade	Marked by	Outline of assignment/folio/performance	Completion Dates	School Support
Administration & IT	Assignment	70/110 (58%)	SQA	Candidates work through a series of planning, support and follow-up tasks related to an event or business. They will demonstrate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skills using IT functions • Using Technology for investigation • Using technology for communication • Administration Theory Completed in exam conditions in 2 sittings.	Date TBC but will take place at the end of February/ beginning of March 2024	Class attendance essential. Pupils will have completed several practice projects in the lead up to the assessed assignment. Feedback from practice projects given to pupils Support at lunch/afterschool in lead up to assignment <u>but</u> not during completion dates.
Art & Design	Design and Expressive folio	80%	Submitted to SQA for external marking	Completed and mounted Expressive and Design folio	Expressive – Fri 16 th Dec Design – Fri 10 th March	Study classes after school, home study encouraged
Applications of Mathematics	External SQA exam in May.	100%	SQA	External SQA exam in May.	May 2024	Preparation in S5/S6 Nat 5 class.
Biology	Assignment	20%	SQA	Assignment will consist of a practical experiment and then online research before completing the write up.	Assignment work will be completed in class time over several periods. Likely in December after the Prelim	In class preparation and write up
Business Management	Assignment	25%	SQA	Candidates produce a business report	This will be completed in class time. Dates TBC but will take place Dec 2023/Jan 2024	Preparation in class. Support materials available on OneNote. Out of class hour support available.
Chemistry	Assignment	20%	SQA	Assignment will consist of a practical experiment and then	This will be completed in class	In class preparation.

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				online research before completing the write up.	time over 8 periods. Dates TBC but will take place in January 2024	Lunchtime study support available Monday-Thursday
Computing Science	Assignment	40/120 (33%)	SQA	Practical Assignment made up of two distinct tasks in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Software Design and Development • Web design and development which assess the five skills in analysis, design, implementation, testing and evaluation. Open book assignment completed under exam conditions within 6 hours.	Completed in class over 7 periods, except those with ET. Dates TBC but will take place end of February – beginning of March 2024	Class attendance essential. Pupils will have completed a number of practice projects in the lead up to the assessed assignment. Feedback from practice projects given to pupils Support at lunch/afterschool in lead up to assignment <u>but</u> not during completion dates.
Design & Manufacture	Design Folio and Practical model	54%	Submitted to SQA for external marking	Completed Design folio	Design: 24 th Practical: 31 st March	Study classes after school, home study encouraged
Digital Media NPA Level 5	3 units	Pass / fail	Internal, subject to SQA verification	Practical portfolio of evidence	May 2024 final submission date. Units will be completed throughout year	Practical tasks are open book. Pupils have access to similar tasks to help complete unit assessments.
Drama	Performance Performance Prelim	60%	SQA Internal/moderated	Candidates undertake a practical performance assessment of acting or design.	March 2024 27 th Sept. 2023	Class attendance is essential. In-class support, Open rehearsals and after school rehearsal programme.
Economics	Assignment	30/120 (25%)	SQA	Candidates are required to research and analyse information to produce an economics report (max 1,300 words)	This will be completed in class time. Dates TBC but will take place end of Dec 2023 / Jan 24	Preparation in class. Support materials available on OneNote. Lunch or after school study support

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English	Creation and Production Unit Analysis and Evaluation Unit Literacy Unit	pass/fail	Internal and subject to SQA external verification	In-class assessments and evidence gathering to meet assessment standards in reading, Writing, talking and Listening	11 th March final folio deadline	In class support Folio clinics from Feb break – see department. Wednesday lunchtime drop-in for support
Geography	Assignment	20%	SQA	Report written up in exam conditions in class.	December	In class support, supported study on a Thursday lunchtime, class teams page is well resourced'
Graphic Communication	Course Assessment Task	40%	Submitted to SQA for external marking	Full graphics assignment CAD modelling/hand drawing/promotional graphics	By arrangement with Teacher	support classes after school with access to relevant software. Home revision materials provided
Health and Food Technology	Question Paper (60 marks) Assignment (60 marks)	50 % 50%	Submitted to the SQA for external marking	Question Paper- Exam Coursework Assignment carried out independently over time, student select and follow a brief issued by the SQA.	Question Paper in SQA Exam Diet Assignment due 8 th March 2024	Class teams page is well resourced With channels set up for each unit of work. Revision materials provided Study classes weekly and individual support by arrangement.
History	Assignment	20%	SQA	Extended essay written up in exam conditions in class	December	In class support
Mathematics	External SQA exam in May.	100%	SQA	External SQA exam in May.	May 2024	Preparation in S4 Nat 5 classes and S5/S6 Nat 5 classes.
Media	Assignment	50%	Submitted to the SQA for external marking	Individual task: researching, analysing, creating and evaluating media content. Displaying knowledge and understanding of key aspects of media literacy.	<u>All Deadlines for Coursework</u> 1 st Dec 2023 – content research 5 th Dec 2023 – filming 8 th Dec 2023 – institutions 12 th Jan 2024 – Audience 19 th Jan 2024 – trailer 9 th Feb 2024 – Part B coursework	Research and analysis work begin in class. Support materials will be available online (via MS Teams). A series of tasks will be drafted and redrafted and this may become homework depending on what is achieved in class. The Media department is also available throughout the day including lunch and break for pupils to come and work on their assignment. Additional study support is every Monday 3.30-4.30pm.

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					5 th March 2024 – ROM Prelim 26 th March 2024 – Final Coursework	
Modern Languages French German Spanish Mandarin	Speaking Assessment	25%	School Staff	Pupils prepare a short talk of 1-2 minutes which they deliver to their teacher. They then have a follow up discussion of 5-6 minutes. The assessment is recorded and marked internally but is subject to external verification.	End of February/Beginning of March.	Preparation of sample discussion questions in class, work marked by teachers, chance to practise with teacher/classmates.
	Writing	12.5%	Externally marked by SQA	Approximately 150 words on an unknown topic. 1st draft marked in school using correction code, 2nd draft completed in school and sent away for external marking.	January	Preparation and practice in class.
Modern Studies	Assignment	20%	SQA	Report written up in exam conditions in class	November/December	In class support
Music	Practical performance	50%	SQA external examiner	Undertake a full practical performance prelim on two instruments or one instrument and voice (6 mins in total)	Feb/March 2024	In-class teaching and planning, teams and further one-to-one support by arrangement with staff. Lunchtime practice clubs.
	Listening Paper	35%	SQA	Paper based on listening concepts covered in class.	May 2024	In-class teaching and planning, Teams, SQA exemplars and further one-to-one support by arrangement with staff.
	Assignment	15%	SQA	Compose and review own piece of music lasting at least 1minute. Submission includes score, recording and review	Sent to SQA March 2024	Several support sessions. Deadline of final draft to moderate is September 2023 (see teams)
Music Technology	Listening Paper	30%	SQA	Paper based on listening concepts and Music Technology in context covered in class	May 2024	In-class teaching and planning, Teams, SQA exemplars and further one-to-one support by arrangement with staff.
	Assignment	70%	SQA	Complete 2 projects showing music technology practical skills. This	March 2024	Various deadlines have been set on Teams to spread the workload of practical tasks. Supported study and Teams support this.

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				includes, planning, implementing and evaluating the projects		
Photography NPA Level 5	Completed digital course	Pass / fail	Internal, subject to SQA verification	Completed powerpoint and photo folders shared with teacher	Fri 3 rd March	Study classes after school, home study encouraged
Physics	Assignment	20%	SQA	Assignment will consist of a practical experiment and then online research before completing the write up.	Assignment work will be completed in class time over several periods. Likely in December after the Prelim	In class preparation and write up
Practical Cookery	Question Paper Assignment Practical Activity	25%, 13% and 62 % respectively	Question Paper and Assignment externally marked. Practical activity internally marked but subject to SQA verification.	Question paper, assesses skills and knowledge of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cookery processes and techniques • Understanding and Using Ingredients • Organisation of Practical Skills Assignment – create time-plan, equipment list and service details for SQA set of recipes. Practical Activity – prepare and present a three-course meal using SQA recipes within a set time.	Question Paper exam diet Assignment completed Mid-March 2024 Practical Activity beginning of April 2024	Class teams page is well resourced With channels set up for each unit of work. Revision materials provided Study classes weekly and individual support by arrangement. Focus on key practical skills within practical activity. Practice recipe book issued.
Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	Question Paper Assignment	80 marks - Question Paper 20 Marks Assignment	Externally marked by the SQA	World Religion Morality Religious and Philosophical Questions Assignment is based on topic of choice	Question Paper in SQA exam diet. Assignment due 15 th March 2024	Class teams page and OneNote Study packs and weekly revision sessions by arrangement with class teacher.
Woodworking (Practical)	Course Assessment Practical Task and Log book	100%	Internal, subject to SQA verification	Completed practical model and Log book	Practical: 24 th March Logbook: 24 st March	workshop classes after school
Physical Education	Portfolio	50%	SQA	Written/Typed Portfolio	Section 1 (8 marks) of the Portfolio to	Pupils are completing a written/typed portfolio during contact time with PE Staff.

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	Performance Assessment	50%	Internal	<p>Assessment of two sports of pupil's choice. Please note that there is no prelim for this section and the assessment on the dates agreed will be the final mark sent to SQA.</p> <p>Please note the recent change to two activities for the performance assessment, which is now in line with pre-covid assessment procedures.</p>	<p>be completed on wb 11th Sept, under exam conditions. Please note that this is not a practice and marks from this date will be sent to SQA.</p> <p>Portfolio (Section 2+3) and PA final deadlines are 8th March 2024</p>	<p>Section 1 is the only section completed under 'exam conditions'.</p> <p>Lunchtime and Afterschool sessions are available through consultation with PE staff. We will 'invite' pupils to additional sessions where required.</p> <p>All Performance Assessments must be completed prior to 8th March. PE staff will update pupils on dates of assessment ASAP. We aim to complete most assessments prior to Christmas.</p>

Higher Courses:

Higher Courses (Level 6)	Folio / Assignment / Performance (counts toward final grade)	Mark (percentage) of final grade	Marked by	Outline of assignment/folio/performance	Completion Dates	School Support
Administration & IT	Assignment	58%	SQA	Candidates work through a series of tasks. They will demonstrate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skills using advanced IT functions in Word, Spreadsheet and PowerPoint • Using Technology for investigation • Using technology for communication • Completed in exam conditions in 2 hours (1 sitting.) 	Date TBC but will take place in March 2024	Class attendance essential. Pupils will have completed several practice projects in the lead up to the assessed assignment. Feedback from practice projects given to pupils Support at lunch/afterschool in lead up to assignment <u>but</u> not during completion dates.
Art & Design	Design and Expressive folio	77%	Submitted to SQA for external marking	Completed and mounted Expressive and Design folio	Both folios – Fri17 th March	Study classes after school, home study encouraged
Applications of Mathematics	Project	Approx 28%	SQA	Statistics Project using data gathered by pupils in an area of interest. Statistical analysis and graphs included in a report of up to 2000 words	March 2024	Preparation in S5/S6 Higher class after Half-Term
Biology	Assignment	20%	SQA	Assignment will consist of a practical experiment and then online research before completing the write up.	Assignment work will be completed in class time over several periods. Likely in January/February after the Prelim	In class preparation and write up
Business Management	Assignment	30/120 (25%)	SQA	Candidates research and analyse information, and produce a business report.	This will be completed in class time. Dates TBC but will take place end of January and	In class preparation. Lunchtime or afterschool study support available. Support materials available in OneNote.

Higher Courses (Level 6)	Folio / Assignment / Performance (counts toward final grade)	Mark (percentage) of final grade	Marked by	Outline of assignment/folio/performance	Completion Dates	School Support
					beginning of February 2024	
Chemistry	Assignment	20%	SQA	Assignment will consist of a practical experiment and then online research before completing the write up.	This will be completed in class time over 8 periods. Dates TBC but will take place in January/February 2024	In class preparation. Lunchtime study support available Monday - Thursday
Computing Science	Assignment	40/120 (33%)	SQA	Practical Assignment made up of two distinct tasks in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Software Design and Development • Web design and development which assess the five skills in analysis, design, implementation, testing and evaluation. Open book assignment completed under exam conditions within 6 hours.	Completed in class over 7 periods, except those with ET. Dates TBC but will take place around mid-March 2024	Class attendance essential. Pupils will have completed a number of practice projects in the lead up to the assessed assignment. Feedback from practice projects given to pupils Support at lunch/afterschool in lead up to assignment <u>but</u> not during completion dates.
Data Science NPA (Level 6)	Practical and Theory Assessments for Core Units plus Data Science Project	Pass/Fail	Internally marked but subject to SQA verification	Data Citizenship and Data Science Core Units: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Short answer Theory Assessments under exam conditions • Practical Assessment – open book Data Science Project: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full Lifecycle Data Science project on a topic chosen by pupil 	April 2024	In class support to prepare for theory assessments plus practice practical assessments. Feedback from practice projects given to pupils
Design & Manufacture	Design Folio	53%	Submitted to SQA for external marking	Completed Design folio	Fri 31 st March	Study classes after school, home study encouraged

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Digital Media NPA Level 6	3 units	Pass / fail	Internal, subject to SQA verification	Closed book multiple choice assessments in each unit Practical portfolio of evidence	May 2024 final submission date. Units will be completed throughout year	Practical tasks are open book. Pupils have access to similar tasks to help complete unit assessments. In class support to prepare for theory assessments. Pupils OneNote have revision materials
Drama	Performance	60%	SQA	Candidates undertake a practical performance assessment of acting, directing or design.	March 2024	Class attendance is essential. In-class support, Open rehearsals and after school rehearsal programme.
Economics	Assignment	30/120 (25%)	SQA	Candidates are required to research and analyse information to produce an economics report (max 2,000 words)	This will be completed in class time. Dates TBC but will take place at the beginning of Feb 2024	Preparation in class. Support materials available on OneNote. Lunch or after school study support
English	Folio	30%	SQA	Candidates write a minimum of two pieces in different genres ,and, under guidance, choose the best piece for final redrafting and submission.	22 nd Sept 1 st draft incl notes 25/26 th Sept RUAE baseline assessment 10 th Nov folio draft 1 st piece 29 th Jan 2 nd folio piece 12 th Feb 2 nd folio final draft 18 th Mar final deadline	In-class drafting and feedback. Folio support at lunchtime / after school from February of presentation year.
Geography	Assignment	27%	SQA	Research assignment report written up in exam conditions in class.	March	In class support
Health and Food Technology	Question Paper (50 marks) Assignment (30 mark- scaled up to 50)	50 % 50%	Submitted to the SQA for external marking	Candidates must attempt question 1 as it is mandatory. Questions 2, 3, 4 and 5 are part of an optional section.	Question Paper in SQA Exam Diet Assignment due 22 nd March 2024	Class teams page is well resourced With channels set up for each unit of work. Revision materials provided Study classes weekly and individual support by arrangement.

Higher Courses (Level 6)	Folio / Assignment / Performance (counts toward final grade)	Mark (percentage) of final grade	Marked by	Outline of assignment/folio/performance	Completion Dates	School Support
				Candidates must attempt three of these four questions. Assignment carried out over time, student select and follow a brief issued by the SQA.		
History	Assignment	27%	SQA	Extended essay written up in exam conditions in class.	Mar	In class support
Human Biology	Assignment	20%	SQA	Assignment will consist of a practical experiment and then online research before completing the write up.	Assignment work will be completed in class time over several periods. Likely in January/February after the Prelim	In class preparation and write up
Mathematics	External SQA exam in May.	100%	SQA	External SQA exam in May.	May 2024	Preparation in S5/S6 Higher classes.
Media	Assignment	50%	SQA	Candidates research, plan, make and evaluate media content – this will be a short moving image text that needs to be filmed outside school. Marks are assigned via a series of written tasks.	All Coursework deadlines 1 st Sept 2023 – Stimulus, purpose and Form 22 nd Sept 2023 – Genre and Target Audience 13 th Oct 2023 – Production Roles 17 th Nov 2023 – Content Research 30 th Nov/7 th Dec 2023 – Filming 8 th Dec 2023 – Audience	In-class support plus support on Teams taking candidates through each task, with marking guides and SQA exemplars. Further one-to-one support by arrangement with staff. The Media department is also available throughout the day including lunch and break for pupils to come and work on their assignment. Additional study support is every Tuesday 3.30-4.30pm.

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					20 th Dec – Part A Complete 31 st Jan 2024 – film Due 7 th Feb - institutional contexts and Production roles 28 th Feb 2024 – Achieving Creative Intentions 6 th /8 th March 2024 – ROM Prelim 27 th March 2024 – Final Coursework	
Film and Media NPA Level 6	Folio	100%	Internally assessed	Individual work where pupils need to complete tasks on the key aspects as evidence that they have completed the individual units showing knowledge and understanding. There is also a large practical element where pupils will prepare, create and edit footage to meet learning outcomes.	April 2024	In-class support plus support on Teams taking candidates through each task, with exemplars. Further one-to-one support by arrangement with staff. The Media department is also available throughout the day including lunch and break for pupils to come and work on their assignment. Additional study support is every Tuesday 3.30-4.30pm.
Modern Languages French German Spanish Mandarin	Speaking Assessment	25%	School Staff	Pupils take part in a conversation of approximately 10 minutes with their teacher on topics of their choosing. The assessment is recorded and marked internally but is subject to external verification.	Prior to the Easter Break.	Preparation of sample discussion questions in class, work marked by teachers, chance to practise with teacher/classmates.
Modern Languages	Writing	12.5%	Externally marked by SQA	200-250 word discursive piece of writing. 1st draft completed in	December	Preparation and practice in class.

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French German Spanish Mandarin Music				school and marked with correction code. 2nd draft completed in school and sent away for external Marking.		
Music	Practical performance	50%	SQA external examiner	Undertake a full practical performance prelim on two instruments or one instrument and voice (10 mins in total)	Feb/March 2024	In-class teaching and planning, teams and further one-to-one support by arrangement with staff. Lunchtime practice clubs.
Music	Listening Paper	35%	SQA	Paper based on listening concepts covered in class.	May 2024	In-class teaching and planning, Teams, SQA exemplars and further one-to-one support by arrangement with staff.
Music	Assignment	15%	SQA	Compose and review own piece of music lasting at least 1minute. Submission includes score, recording and review	March 2024	Several support sessions. Deadline of final draft to moderate is October 2023 (see teams).
Modern Studies	Assignment	27%	SQA	Research assignment report written up in exam conditions in class.	Feb/Mar	In class support
Physics	Assignment	20%	SQA	Assignment will consist of a practical experiment and then online research before completing the write up.	Assignment work will be completed in class time over several periods. Likely in January/February after the Prelim	In class preparation and write up
Philosophy	Question Paper 1 (60 marks) Question paper 2 (50 marks) No assignment	100%	Externally marked by the SQA	Arguments in Action Moral Philosophy Knowledge and doubt evaluation of a Philosopher Descartes and Hume.	SQA Exam Diet	Class teams page is well resourced With channels set up for each unit of work. Revision materials provided Study classes weekly and individual support by arrangement.

Higher Courses (Level 6)	Folio / Assignment / Performance (counts toward final grade)	Mark (percentage) of final grade	Marked by	Outline of assignment/folio/performance	Completion Dates	School Support
Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	Question Paper 1 (60 marks) Question Paper 2 (20 marks) Assignment (30 marks)	73 % 27 %	Submitted to SQA for external marking	World Religion Morality and Belief (60 marks) Religious and Philosophical Questions (20 marks) Assignment topic of choice	Question Paper in SQA Exam Diet	Class teams page and OneNote Study packs and weekly revision sessions by arrangement with class teacher.
Physical Education	Performance Assessment	50%	Internal	Assessment of two sports of pupil's choice. Please note that there is no prelim for this section and the assessment on the dates agreed will be the final mark sent to SQA. Please note the recent change to two activities for the performance assessment, which is now in line with pre-covid assessment procedures.	March 2024 March 2024	Lunchtime and Afterschool sessions are available through consultation with PE staff. We will 'invite' pupils to additional sessions where required. All Performance Assessments must be completed prior to 8 th March. PE staff will update pupils on dates of assessment ASAP. We aim to complete most assessments prior to Christmas.
	'Scenario Question' (Section 3) prelim	Exam preparation (1 section)	SQA	Prelim for section 3 of the exam (Section 1 and 2 completed during January prelim diet)	March 2024	
Sport and Exercise Leadership	Course modules: Free weights Circuit training Cardiovascular training Introduction to leadership Leadership in practice	100%	Internal	Written assessments throughout the year and practical leadership assessment.	21 ST March Completion.	Modules are ongoing. Assessments consist of written papers and observed pupil delivery of practical leadership.

Advanced Higher Courses:

Advanced Higher Course (Level 7)	Folio / Assignment / Performance (counts toward final grade)	Mark (percentage) of final grade	Marked by	Outline of assignment/folio/performance	Completion Dates	School Support
Art & Design	Design OR Expressive Folio	100%	Submitted to SQA for external marking	Completed and mounted Expressive or Design folio	Fri 17 th March (or by arrangement with Teacher)	Study classes after school, home study encouraged
Business Management	Assignment	40/120 (33%)	SQA	Candidates carry out research, analyse information, and write a report on a relevant business topic, which must be between 2,500 and 3,500 words	Thursday 27 th March 2024 Approx date still TBC	Support during class time, support materials available on Onenote/teams
Biology	Project	25%	SQA	Practical work carried out over the course of the year in class and in pupils' own time. They will then have to do research to back up their findings and complete a write up.	Draft by Christmas holidays. Final due by mid-March 2024	In class preparation. Resources shared on Teams and SharePoint. Support from teachers
Chemistry	Project	25%	SQA	Practical work carried out over the course of the year in class and in pupils' own time. They will then have to do research to back up their findings and complete a write up.	Draft by Christmas holidays. Final due by mid-March 2024	In class preparation. Lunchtime study support available Monday -Thursday
Computing Science	Project	60%	SQA	Candidates undertake a full lifecycle project to analyse, design, build and test a software system of their choice.	Friday 29 th March 2024	Support during class time
Design & Manufacture	Design Folio	62%	Submitted to SQA for external marking	Completed Design folio	Fri 31 st March	Study classes after school, home study encouraged
Drama	Performance	50%	SQA	Candidates undertake a practical performance assessment of acting, directing or design.	March 2024	Class attendance is essential. In-class support, Open rehearsals and after school rehearsal programme.
	Assignment	20%	SQA	Candidates write an essay under exam conditions	13 th November 2023	Numerous preparatory tasks completed prior to the write up.
	Dissertation	30%	SQA	Candidates complete a project examining a performance issue and a practitioner(s) approach.	April 2024	As above

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English	Folio	30%	SQA	Candidates write and redraft numerous pieces and submit best piece of work under guidance from teacher.	23 rd 2 nd piece of writing Feb 3 rd piece May- day of exam	In-class support from teacher and other staff within department as and when needed.
English	Dissertation	30%	SQA	Candidates choose a text/texts of suitably challenging literary merit, agree a line of argumentation and analysis, and write a dissertation, with reference to secondary texts, of 3,500 words.	21 st September submit focus. October 23 first piece of writing. 23 rd Oct draft plan & 800 words 11 th Dec first draft 1 st Feb second draft 11 th March final	Each pupil is assigned a Dissertation Supervisor from within the English faculty, and meets with them regularly to plan, discuss progress and check over drafts and final submission. The onus is on the pupil to arrange these meetings.
Geography	Assignment/coursework includes 1800 critical essay and 3000-word fieldwork report.	66%	SQA	Critical essay summarises, evaluates and explores extent of debate around a controversial and relevant geographical issue. Fieldwork report is an analysis, evaluation and methodology of processed data gathered from fieldwork. Both assessments must include a range of academic background reading. Data must be processed in the form of maps, graphs and statistically analysed using inferential and descriptive methods. A conclusion must speculate about future.	1 st deadline 31 st Jan (essay) 2 nd deadline end March (river study)	In-class support and supported study on a Thursday lunchtime.
History	Dissertation	36%	SQA	The 4000 word project–dissertation enables candidates to demonstrate their skills, knowledge and understanding by undertaking independent research into a complex historical issue chosen from a range of questions provided by the SQA	Deadline for completion April 2024	As AH History pupils are only allocated 3 timetabled periods with the teacher. The expectation is they complete this out of class contact time (such as other two self study periods). Pupils have been given a guide with draft submission guidelines to ensure they gain feedback and support throughout the process.
Mathematics	External SQA exam in May.	100%	SQA	External SQA exam in May.	May 2024	Preparation in S6 AH classes.

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Mathematics of Mechanics	External SQA exam in May.	100%	SQA	External SQA exam in May.	May 2024	Preparation in S6 AH class.
Modern Languages	Speaking Assessment	25%	Externally Marked by SQA	Pupils take part in a conversation of approximately 20 minutes with a visiting SQA assessor on topics of their choosing.	Later February/Early March (exact date TBC by SQA)	Preparation of sample discussion questions in class, work marked by teachers, chance to practise with teacher/classmates.
French German Spanish Mandarin	Portfolio	15%	Externally Marked by SQA	1 piece of writing 1200-1500 words in English, analysing literature.	By Easter break (exact date TBC by SQA)	Topic and question agreed with teacher. Draft marked and feedback/suggestions for improvement given.
Modern Studies	Dissertation	50 marks	SQA	This 5,000-word project-dissertation will give learners an opportunity to undertake independent research on a complex contemporary issue. Following this research, they present their findings which must demonstrate; research methodology, a wide range of sources of information, analysis of the issue and evaluation of the arguments. A developed, sustained and coherent line of argument, leading to a conclusion, supported by evidence. All of which is presented and referenced using appropriate conventions.	April 2024	Two periods a week are given to pupils to work on the skills for this and they will be expected to utilize this time effectively. Guidance will be given on where to access the most useful research and opportunities will be given to access digital resources. Students have a series of individual deadlines for each chapter of the dissertation. Those deadlines can be found on the Teams page and the guidance offered by the teacher. The teacher will also be providing individual feedback for each student on their dissertation progress
Music	Practical performance	50%	SQA external examiner	Undertake a full practical performance prelim on two instruments or one instrument and voice (18 mins in total)	Feb/March 2024	In-class teaching and planning, 365 and further one-to-one support by arrangement with staff. Lunchtime practice clubs.
	Listening paper	35%	SQA	Paper based on listening concepts covered in class.	May 2024	In-class teaching and planning, Teams, SQA exemplars and further one-to-one support by arrangement with staff.
	Assignment	15%	SQA	Compose and review own piece of music lasting at least 1minute. Submission includes score, recording and review Analyse a piece of music of their choice.	March 2024	Several deadlines throughout this term (see Teams). Supported study.

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Physics	Project	25%	SQA	Practical work carried out over the course of the year in class and in pupils' own time. They will then have to do research to back up their findings and complete a write up.	Draft by Christmas holidays. Final due by mid March 2024	In class preparation. Resources shared on Teams and SharePoint. Support from teachers
Statistics	External SQA exam in May.	100%	SQA	External SQA exam in May.	May 2024	Preparation in S6 AH class.
Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	Question Paper Project/ Dissertation	90 marks 50 marks	Externally Marked by SQA	Assessed in QP Philosophy of Religion: Cosmological argument and responses Religious Experience: Alternative Accounts of religious experience Project / Dissertation topic of choice	Question Paper in SQA exam diet- 3 hours long Project deadline March 8 th	Class teams page and OneNote Study packs and weekly revision sessions by arrangement with class teacher. Targeted Support in Thursday's timetabled lesson.
Physical Education	Project Performance Assessment	70% 30%	SQA Internal	5000 Word Assignment Practical Assessment	First Draft: 10 th Feb 15 th March Final Draft	Pupils have been working on their project since august 2022. We are targeting a 31st March completion date. PE Staff will work with pupils to decide a performance assessment date prior to the 31 st March