Assessment Fortnight FAQ

Before the Exams

Q I've looked at the timetable and I've got two exams at the same time or with a very short gap in-between!

A If this is the case, please contact Miss Ewen at the office as soon as possible so she can make arrangements for alternative timings.

Q I've got two exams on the same day. That seems quite a lot. Is that allowed?

A Qualifications Scotland advise that a pupil can have up to six hours of exams in one day. Most pupils should have a lot less but if you have more, please let Miss Ewen know as soon as possible.

Q Where will my exams be held and what is my seat number?

A For most exams, unless you have additional arrangements, the seating plans for exams will be put on the noticeboard opposite reception by 4.30pm the afternoon before the exam. Seating plans will also be posted in the Games Hall on the morning of the exam.

Q What if I have additional arrangements?

A If you have any additional arrangements you will be issued with a personalised timetable in registration for the exams that qualify for AAs. If you have other exams that don't have AAs you will need to refer to the main timetable to find out when and where they are. They will not be included in your personalised timetable.

Q Where will my exams be held if I have additional arrangements?

A The room for your exam will be put on the noticeboard opposite reception by 4.30pm on the day before your exam and the same information will be posted outside the Support for Learning Office.

Q What if my subject has a practical exam as well as a written exam?

A If your subject has a practical exam, for example Practical Cookery has a cooking exam, as well as a written exam, you will be given the arrangements for the practical element by your class teacher and an email will be sent home with this information. Also, a timetable of all practical exams will be on the exam noticeboard, opposite reception, during all of Assessment Fortnight.

Q How many exams are there for modern languages?

A There will be two exams for all modern languages – a listening exam and a reading/writing exam. Please make sure to take note of the date and time of both elements, as they may not be on the same day.

During the Exams

Q I am studying in school, where can I go?

A S4s who are studying in school should attend registration and follow their normal timetable when they are not in an exam. You will be able to study for any exam in every class, you won't be limited to the subject you are timetabled for. S5/6s don't follow their normal timetable or go to registration but should sign in at the office and can study in the library or in the assembly hall.

Q My name is on not on the seating plan for my exam. Who do I speak to?

A Do you have additional arrangements? If so, check the AA timetable on the noticeboard for your name. If not, or if your name is not listed on the AA timetable, report to the school office.

Q What do I do if I'm unable to attend an exam due to illness or other reason?

A Please contact the school office as soon possible to let us know. With prelim exams we are able to make alternative arrangements.

Q I am running late for my exam, what do I do?

A You will be allowed into your exam during the first 30 minutes. You will not be given extra time to make up for the time you have missed. If you arrive 30 minutes after the start of the exam please report to the school office.