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Dear Parent / Carer

Senior Phase Prelim Diet 2022

As we begin another year amid growing uncertainty and concern regarding the spread of Covid-19, we wanted to reach out to clarify the measures we have put in place to support students during the prelim exams, particularly for those who may be absent during or immediately before the exam period. This applies to any absence but is particularly relevant to those who may miss several exams due to self-isolation.

The central planning assumption by the SQA remains that the full exam diet for National 5, Higher and Advanced Higher will commence as planned in April 2022. Given this decision by the SQA and the Scottish Government, we feel it is essential that senior students are given the opportunity to have an exam experience prior to the commencement of these final examinations.

In order to maximise this opportunity for all students we are continuing with the planned prelim exam diet as published on our website prior to the Christmas break. To help protect students and staff we are asking that students wear face coverings during exams unless they are exempt from doing so. Physical distancing has been increased during the prelim diet and students will have allocated seats for each exam. It is therefore essential that students check the SQA exam board each day so they are clear about where their exam will take place.

If a student is absent on the day of an exam there will be an opportunity to sit the prelim on the catch up days listed below. Students will sit any catch up exams in the same order in which they were originally planned. If any student still has not completed any of their planned assessments by Friday 28th January, individual arrangements will be made to support them to do so at the earliest opportunity. Students will receive notification of their re-scheduled exams via their EduBuzz email, this will include further information regarding the location and timing of each exam. Candidates who receive additional assessment arrangements should liaise directly with Mrs Park to re-arrange their assessments.

Prelim Catch up days

Friday 14th January*

Tuesday 25th January

Wednesday 26th January

Thursday 27th January

** For those who return from isolation during the first week and do not have an exam that day.*

If you have any questions regarding the arrangements above or have a specific query regarding the exam diet please do not hesitate to contact me by telephone or email.

Sincerely,

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