



SQA Assembly March 2022





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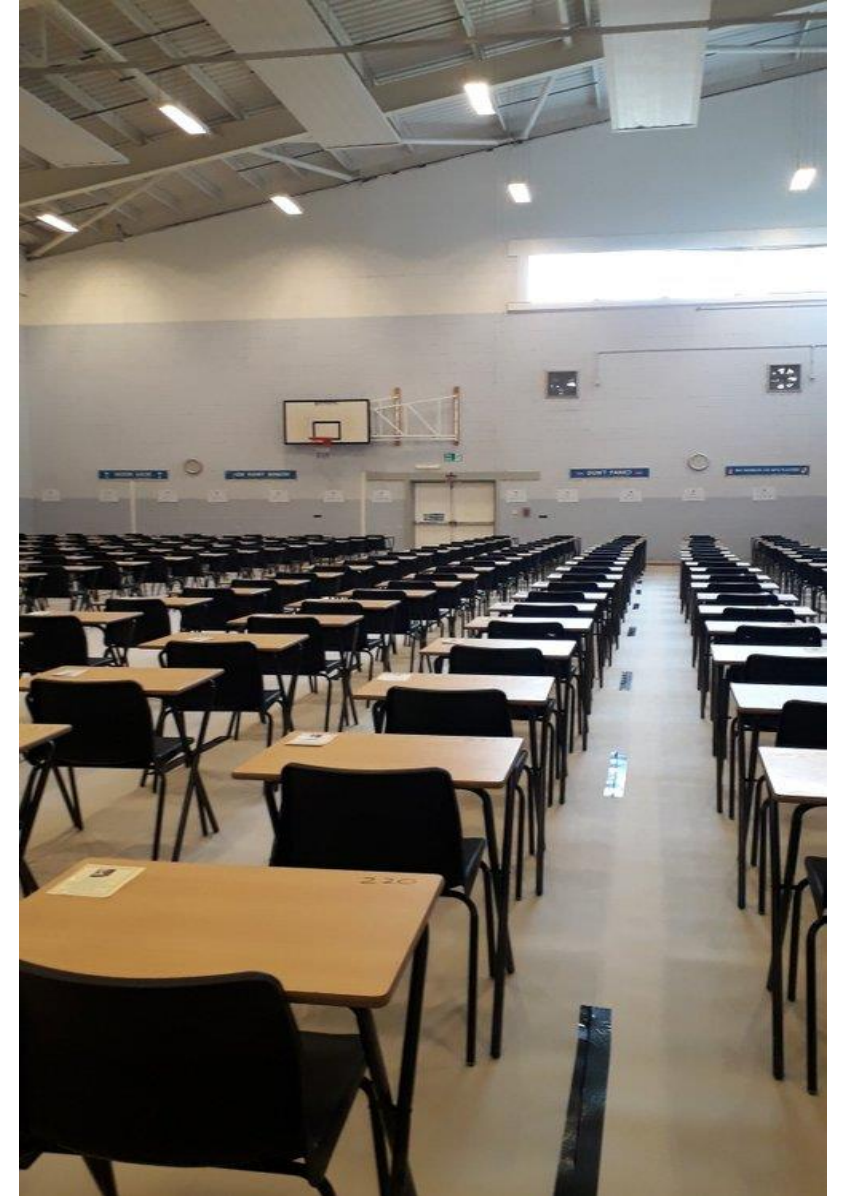
SQA Exams

- 6 week diet of exams.
- 26th April -1st June 2022.
- Exams will take place in the Games Hall.
- SQA Exam Timetables will be issued as soon as they arrive in school - just now they can be accessed via SQA website.
- ***Go through the timetable and highlight each subject / level that applies to you***



What to expect

- This is what the exam hall looks like:



Mobile phones



- SQA have a very strict policy about mobile phones.
- NO mobile phones are allowed in the exam hall - not even in your pocket or in your bag.
- You won't be able to bring your phone (or any other device) into the exam hall.



- For exams taking place in the Games Hall, you will be allocated a seat number - it is important you sit in the correct seat.
- When you sit in your exam, you must check the exam paper that is in front of you.
- Check the subject and the level are correct and what you are meant to be sitting.
- You are allowed a clear pencil case on your desk.
- Bring some spare pens and pencils in case one runs out.
- Bring a calculator, ruler and a rubber too in case you need it.



Timings

- It is really important that you arrive **early** on the days you have an exam (20 mins before the exam starts).
- You will be asked to line up in the Crush Hall 15 minutes before the exam is due to begin, before quietly and calmly entering the exam hall.
- Exams have strict timings, so it's important that they start on time.
- You can check how long you have left using the large clocks on the wall.



Latecoming

"Candidates arriving late for an exam may be admitted up to 30 minutes after the start time of the exam. No extension of time can be granted to latecomers, no matter what the reason for their lateness." - SQA



- Once you are told to start the exam, regular exam conditions apply, so you are not allowed to talk or look around at other candidates.



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- SQA impose severe sanctions for any candidate who is believed to have been cheating. This can affect all of your subjects.



Candidate number

- Each of you have a unique candidate number - this is how SQA identify you.
- You **must** write your candidate number on the front of your exam paper.
- You will receive a small credit card size piece of card where you can write your candidate number - you are allowed to take this into your exam and sit it on your desk.



Additional Assessment Arrangements

- Some candidates require extra arrangements for exams, such as extra time, use of ICT, sitting the exam in a separate room etc.
- If you are having additional assessment arrangements, you will sit your exam in the **library** or **ICT 7** - please make sure you go to the correct room!



What do I do if I am absent?

- If you test positive for Covid, don't come to school!
- If you are sick on the day of an exam, or there is a family emergency **do not panic!!**
- Contact the school - phone the school office / email your teacher / Pupil Support teacher / Head of Year.
- We will ask you to provide evidence (a medical certificate / Covid test result etc)



How to prepare

- *Get organised!*
- Have a folder for each subject and organise all your notes within each folder (unit by unit).
- Make a study timetable - plan your time.
- Build in short breaks to your study plan.
- Come to Easter revision sessions.
- Try past paper questions.



Ways to study

- Revision mind maps
- Flashcards
- Past Paper questions
- Voice record notes/facts and listen back
- Make summaries of your notes - highlight key points
- Add diagrams to explain facts



MySQA

- By registering for MySQA, you can choose to receive your exam results by text or email on results day.
- You can find out more at www.sqa.org.uk/mysqa.



26th April - 1st June 2022

Good luck! 😊

