## 26 March 2019



Dear Parent/Guardian,

## **SQA Exam Leave 2019**

In order to allow pupils and parents to plan a study timetable, SQA exam leave for this session is outlined below. There are regulations around study leave so I have bullet pointed the arrangements to make them easier to follow.

- S4 pupils sitting **3 or more** National 5 exams, and **all** S5 and S6 pupils will have their last day of classes on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April.
- Exam leave will run from Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May (inclusive). For reasons of school security school uniform must be worn when attending exams.
- A programme of N5 and Higher Masterclasses during study leave for each subject will be available for all pupils: a timetable will be shared with S4-S6 pupils and published on the website. Full attendance at all Masterclasses is expected and again, school uniform must be worn when pupils are attending these.
- S4 pupils sitting two or fewer National 5 exams are not entitled to the full exam leave but will get one day study leave prior to each exam as well as the day of the actual exam. They should attend school as usual apart from this shortened exam leave.
- S4 pupils with no National 5 exams will be expected to attend school throughout the exam leave period. A programme of lessons and activities will be arranged including courses within school and/ or work experience. Further details will follow after the Easter holidays and be published on the website.
- There will be an Induction programme for new S4/5/6 pupils on **Friday 31**<sup>st</sup> **May** (a small number of pupils may have an exam on one of these days and therefore should not attend the induction). Further details for this will follow after the Easter holidays.
- The new timetable will start for **all** pupils on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June.

As we reach this important stage in the lives of senior pupils, I strongly encourage them all to plan their study time carefully and make the most of the remaining term, as well as the Masterclasses offered by teachers during exam leave. I am sure parents will be playing their part in offering help and support and ensuring time is created for study.

Please also note the programme of Easter revision classes being run by staff in school which also prove to be valuable for pupils.

Separate letters will be sent out to parents of S6 pupils and those S4 and S5 pupils who are leaving school.

I would like to wish all our senior pupils well on behalf of everyone here at Drummond Community High School and hope they are working hard to secure the results they deserve from their hard work and effort throughout the years.

Yours sincerely

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