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Dear S4 Families,

S4 PARENTS' EVENING – Wednesday 22nd February 2023 from 4.15pm

In order to provide you with an opportunity to discuss your child's learning and progress following the recent prelim diet of exams, and as they prepare for their National Qualifications, we will be conducting our parental meetings for S4 parents/carers in person in the school building.

HOW ARE APPOINTMENTS MADE?

Appointments can be made via our online booking system.

You should visit <https://parents-booking.co.uk/hyndlandsecondary> to open the booking site, enter the details for the Main Parent which matches the details on our system.

We recommend using the "Suggest Bookings For Me" option which will work out the best order to see your selected teachers.

The system will be open for bookings from **6pm on Thursday 9th February**. A more detailed "how-to-guide" is available on the school website for you to refer to – this can be found under the 'our school section' and 'parents meetings' sub-section (under the our school menu bar).

HOW MANY APPOINTMENTS CAN PARENTS MAKE?

You should review your child's timetable to confirm the teachers they have – most learners in S4 will study eight National Qualification courses – so it may not be possible for you to speak to all 8 teachers on the evening, so we would encourage families to prioritise their bookings based upon the most recent tracking report issued in February. **If there are any subjects that you have concerns with or that your young person is under performing in, we would suggest prioritising these appointments first.**

If you are unable to book an appointment with one of your young person's teachers due to there being no available appointments left, we can provide some feedback via your child's Pastoral Care Teacher after the event. If this is the case, please contact your child's Pastoral Care Teacher to request this.

In addition to this there is the option to meet with Pastoral Care if there are specific well-being issues that you would like to discuss. These appointments should be booked via the booking system.

Mrs McFarlane, PT Support for Learning, will run a drop-in service in the Pastoral Care Base if you would like to discuss any specific learning needs for example if your young person has a formal Additional Support Need or AAA arrangements which are in place for your child's SQA exams.

Vanessa Kokota and Nicky Mearns, our school Careers Advisors, who work for Skills Development Scotland, are also available for appointments. We would suggest making an appointment with them if your young person is considering leaving school at the end of S4 or needs some advice with the S5 course choice process that will be undertaken soon.

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HOW LONG DO PARENTS HAVE WITH EACH TEACHER?

Five minutes. We appreciate this is not very long, however we wish to hold as many interviews as possible in the limited time available. We ask that teachers and parents are as strict as possible in sticking to the timetable.

HOW WILL THE APPOINTMENT WORK ON THE EVENING?

When families arrive at the main entrance to the school they will be issued with a room list – **please bring along a printed copy or an electronic copy of your appointment sheet.** Senior students will be on hand to offer guidance on making your way around the school building. All appointments will take place in the Lauderdale Building.

WHAT WILL BE THE MAIN PURPOSE OF THE EVENING?

To allow teachers to discuss strengths developed at this stage in S4 and what next steps can be taken to ensure further progress is made. Performance in the recent assessment diet of prelims undertaken in January will be discussed as part of your young person's progress in each subject. If an appointment is booked with Pastoral Care they will provide parents with an overview of how their young person is progressing in their National Qualifications and will be able to support with any specific concerns raised.

HOW DO I KNOW WHICH PASTORAL CARE TEACHER TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT WITH?

Parents should make appointments with the Pastoral Care teacher for their young person's House.

Mr Squire - Katrine House (Classes 4K1 & 4K2)

Ms Black - Lomond House (Classes 4L1 & 4L2)

Mrs Mills - Rannoch House (Class 4R)

Mr Carstairs - Torridon House (Class 4T)

We look forward to meeting with you in person again on Wednesday 22nd February.

Best wishes.

L Edgerton - Head Teacher

