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Dear S4 Parent / Carer,

Following the transition into S4, subject teachers have recently given interim tracking grades for all pupils in Fourth Year. This working grade is intended to give a reflection on the **current evidence of progress.** We are really keen that the 4<sup>th</sup> year take this information to plan/inform their next stages and work towards improving this for the next report in November which will give further details of progress. The indication of effort, behaviour and homework should also provide a platform for discussion to ensure maximum effort is being applied consistently.

It is vitally important that all of our S4 now take and act on advice from staff re next stages. Strong attendance, timekeeping, application, homework returns and home routines are vital to ensure we are gaining robust evidence of progress and our S4 pupils are on course to achieve their full capabilities.

To help support our S4 learners, staff have undertaken learner conversations in each subject area. During these learner conversations, students were given feedback on how they are progressing and what steps they can take to improve between now and the second tracking report in early December. We would encourage families to discuss these targets at home – students will have a record of their learner conversations on their school iPad and glow account.

# Important information for S4 learners and families:

# Pre-prelim assessment diet – 25<sup>th</sup> October to 5<sup>th</sup> November

To help prepare our S4 learners for the prelim diet of exams in January, we will be running a pre-prelim assessment diet over a two-week period. These will run during class time and young people will be issued with a timetable in advance to help support their revision at home. The timetable for this assessment diet will be posted on the S4 year group team and school website.

#### Saturday breakfast Support

This year we will offer our ever-popular Saturday Study Breakfast Support – this will run weekly from Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> September to the end of November. Young people must sign up in advance using the glow form which will be posted on their S4 year group team each week. The sessions will take place from 9.30am until 12.00pm. Staff will be in attendance to support and young people will have the opportunity to work in a quiet and supported environment.







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### E-sgoil online Supported Study

Many of our S4 learners have already signed up for this fantastic support. We would strongly encourage all learners to sign up for these sessions which will run from September onwards after school. Young people sign up using their glow account and SQA candidate number (which can be found on the back of their school iPad) – <u>www.e-sgoil.com</u> More information can be found on the S4 year group team.

### Senior Phase Information Evening – how families can support learning

We will be running an information session online on **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September at 6.00pm** for both S4 learners and families to attend. The evening will provide an overview of latest SQA assessment information for National Qualification courses, we well as providing practical advice for students and families on how to be successful in the senior phase. Further information will be posted on our school website, to families directly and also on our S4 year group team.

We are delighted to have our young people back in school and please be reassured we are planning to provide maximum support to our 4<sup>th</sup> year pupils to enable them to achieve what they are capable of. There are lots of resources online to support and young people in S4 are learning about effective ways to study during core time. Information/support can also be found on our website (www.hyndland-sec.glasgow.sch.uk)

If you wish to discuss the contents of this report further please telephone your child's own Pastoral Care Teacher in the first instance.

Class 4K Classes 4R1 & 4R2 Mr Squire Mrs Mills Class 4L Classes 4T1 & 4T2 Ms Black Mr Carstairs

Many thanks for continued support.

Yours sincerely

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