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Dear Parent/Carer

S4-6 Tracking Report

Pupil reports published today via ParentsPortal contain a summary from teachers on performance for senior phase pupils. This report is designed to provide you with information on progress in all subject areas being studied. Within this report you will find ratings for effort, behaviour and homework engagement, in addition to target grades and working grades. Subject teachers have included a comment focusing on current attainment and next steps for learning and progression on the course.

- **What is a working grade?**

This is the grade that at this time the assessment evidence gathered, the professional judgement of the teacher and ongoing moderation activities would indicate a pupil is **on track to achieve this year**. The working grade may change depending on pupils' progress and performance across the remainder of the term and in relation to the various assessments that will be undertaken. This grade is a guide for pupils and parents/carers about progress to date. Please refer to the descriptors below for target grade and working grade boundaries:

LEVEL	BAND / GRADE
National 4, Skills for Work, National Progression Awards, Freestanding Units	6 = pass 9 = fail / possible level change required
National 5 / Higher / Advanced Higher	1 or 2 = A 3 or 4 = B 5 or 6 = C 7 = D 8 = borderline fail 9 = fail / possible level change required



- **SQA: How your child will be assessed, based on current public health advice**

The Scottish Government has confirmed that exams will go ahead in 2022 if it is safe to do so. The SQA has made modifications to course assessments to help make them more manageable and allow for lost learning and teaching caused by the pandemic. Depending on the subject, the modifications may include removing or reducing the coursework, changing the exam to provide more choice or time, or removing a topic from the course.

- **Further Reports and Parent Contact Evening**

A further tracking report will be issued on **Monday 6th December**. This report will include ratings and updated working grades. There will be an opportunity to discuss these reports at the Parent Contact Evening taking place on either **Thursday 9th December** or **Tuesday 14th December**.

- **Supported Study and Preliminary Examinations**

Many departments offer supported study to senior pupils. The timetable attached includes details of the range of subjects offering supported study for this session. Preliminary examinations are scheduled to take place in school week commencing Monday 10th January 2022. Further guidance and information will be issued during Term 2, which will consider any changes to public health advice.

Should you wish to contact the school regarding this report, or any other matter please contact your child's guidance teacher at your convenience at breaddalbane@pkc.gov.uk.

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Yours faithfully

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