

KELSO HIGH SCHOOL

DRAFT ASSESSMENT POLICY

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RATIONALE

The purpose of this policy is to explain the aims of assessment to parents, pupils and staff. The aims of assessment are listed in the next section of this policy.

There are many assessments for pupils in S1 – S6 and a summary of the types and timing of assessments for S1 – S6 pupils can be found in Appendix 1. The summary of assessments can be used by Departments to plan the timing of their assessments.

Feedback from assessments can be used to ensure that all pupils are progressing according to their abilities and also for setting targets with individual pupils.

Assessment information contained in S1 – S6 pupil reports can be used to set specific learning targets.

There are two types of assessment:-

- Diagnostic Assessment;
- Summative Assessment.

Diagnostic assessment is used to gauge pupil progress at the end of a unit of work and, therefore, provides a means of monitoring pupil progress throughout each term.

Summative assessment is used to gauge pupil progress at the end of a term / year's work and is a measure of pupil progress over longer periods of time.

Parents can find out about the types of assessment in S1 – S6 by reading the assessment information booklet (Appendix 2) which also contains a summary of assessments in S1 – S6.

This policy sets out the aims of assessment and a summary of assessments for S1 – S6 pupils and it can be used by Departments to allow the planning of their assessments.

AIMS OF ASSESSMENT

- To ensure that all pupils are progressing according to their abilities.
- To provide motivation for learning.
- To provide feedback about strengths in a pupil's progress and areas needing further development.
- To monitor progress of all pupils throughout the school.

AIMS OF THE POLICY

- To support the planning, development and evaluation of teaching and learning.
- To inform specific developments in teaching and learning within Departments.
- To monitor and evaluate courses.
- To illustrate the types and timing of assessments given by each subject department.
- To allow subject teachers to plan the timing of their assessments in relation to other assessments.

PARENTS, PUPILS AND STAFF

- ◆ To provide information to pupils, parents and guidance staff and use this information to set specific targets for pupils.
- ◆ To provide all staff, pupils and parents with a summary of all assessments undertaken by pupils in S1 – S6.
- ◆ To allow staff, pupils and parents to identify together appropriate next steps for raising attainment.

S1 SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENTS

Appendix 1

MONTH	SUBJECT	LEVEL	TYPE OF ASSESSMENT
Sept	French	5-14	Assessment of Reading, Writing and Speaking
	History	5-14	1 End of Unit Assessment
	Science	5-14	1 End of Unit Assessment
Oct	History	5-14	2 End of Unit Assessments
Dec	Science	5-14	1 End of Unit Assessment
	English	5-14	1 End of Unit Assessment
	Geography	5-14	1 End of Unit Assessment
Jan	French	5-14	Assessment of Reading, Writing and Speaking
	History	5-14	1 End of Unit Assessment
	Geography	5-14	1 End of Unit Assessment
Mar	History	5-14	1 End of Unit Assessment
	Geography	5-14	1 End of Unit Assessment
	Science	5-14	1 End of Unit Assessment
Apr	English	5-14	1 End of Unit Assessment
	French	5-14	Assessment of Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening
May	History	5-14	2 End of Unit Assessments
June	Science	5-14	1 End of Unit Assessment
	Geography	5-14	1 End of Unit Assessment

Regular Class Testing

Art	Practical Assessments ongoing with classwork
French	Listening Assessments every month
Home Economics	Practical Assessments ongoing with classwork
Information Technology	Practical Assessments ongoing with classwork
Maths	Level C - End of Topic Tests approximately every 2 to 3 weeks Levels D & E – End of Block Tests approximately every 4 to 6 weeks Level F - End of Block Tests approximately every 2 months
Modern Studies	End of Unit Tests approximately every 2 months Skills Assessment done through class activities
Music	Practical Assessments ongoing with classwork
PE	Practical assessments ongoing with classwork
Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	2 tests per year Skills Assessment done through classwork
Technical	Practical Assessments ongoing with classwork Designing and K & U at end of each unit of work.

S2 SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENTS

MONTH	SUBJECT	LEVEL	TYPE OF ASSESSMENT
Sept	History	5-14	KU
Oct	Science	5-14	Topic Test
	Art	5-14	Assessment of Expressive Unit
	Geography	5-14	Class Test
	French	5-14	Assessment of Reading, Writing and Speaking
	German	5-14	Assessment of Reading, Writing and Speaking
Nov	History	5-14	KU
Dec	Art	5-14	Design Unit Assessment
	Geography	5-14	A3 Display
	Science	5-14	Topic Test
Jan	History	5-14	Evaluation
	Geography	5-14	Newspaper Article
Feb	English	5-14	S2 Exam and Class Writing Test
	French	5-14	Assessment of Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening
	German	5-14	Assessment of Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening
	History	5-14	KU
	Science	5-14	S2 Exam / Topic Test
	Modern Studies	5-14	S2 Exam
Mar	Art	5-14	Expressive Unit Assessment
May	French	5-14	Assessment of Reading, Writing and Speaking
	German	5-14	Assessment of Reading, Writing and Speaking
June	Geography	5-14	Fieldwork Report

Regular Class Testing

Music	Weekly / fortnightly test for practical work
Geography	4 end of unit tests completed in class time
PE	End of block tests every 6 weeks
Maths	Levels C, D & E - end of block tests approximately 4 to 6 weeks Level F - end of block tests approximately every 2 months
Modern Studies	End of unit tests approximately every 2 months Skills assessment done through class activities
Modern Languages	Listening assessments every 4 weeks approximately
Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	February exam and assignments linked to classwork throughout the year

S3 SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENTS

MONTH	SUBJECT	LEVEL	TYPE OF ASSESSMENT
June	Chemistry	S	Homework / Practical Assessments
	Music	S	Practical / Listening Tests
	Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	LO1 (Int. 1 / 2)	Making Moral Decisions Test
Sept	Computing	S	Practical Assessment – Printer Comparison
	Biology	S	End of Topic Test
	Chemistry	S	End of Topic Test
	Music	S	End of Topic Test
	Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	LO2 / 3 (Int. 1 / 2)	Human Rights Test (Capital Punishment)
Oct	Physical Education	S	Practical / Written Test
	Computing	S	Test: Systems 2
	Art	S	Sculpture
	Chemistry	S	End of Topic Test
	Music	S	End of Topic Test
Nov	English	S	REPORT (Reading / Writing / Talking)
	Home Economics	S	EXAM (Theory / Practical)
	Computing	S	EXAM 1 Database Project
	French / German	S	EXAM (Reading / Listening)
	Fashion & Textile	Int. 2	Formative Unit Assessments
	Technology		
	Chemistry	S	Homework
	Music	S	Homework
Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	LO2 (Int. 1 / 2)	Human Rights Test (Racial Prejudice)	
Dec	Physical Education	S	Practical / Written Test
	Art	S	Product Design
	Biology	S	End of Unit Test
	Bus Man	S	End of Section Test
	Accounting & Finance	S	End of Section Test
	Administration	S	End of Section Test
	Chemistry	S	Homework
	Music	S	Homework
	Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	Int. 1 / 2	Human Rights Test (Freedom of Speech)

S3 SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENTS (cont'd)

MONTH	SUBJECT	LEVEL	TYPE OF ASSESSMENT
Jan	Chemistry	S	Homework
	Music	S	Homework
Feb	Chemistry	S	Homework
	Music	S	Homework
	Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	LO1 (Int. 1)	Religion and The Social World Test
Mar	Physical Education	S	Practical / Written Test
	Fashion & Textile	Int. 2	EXAM
	Technology		
	Computing	S	Test: Systems 3
	Art	S	Painting
	Biology	S	End of Topic Test
	Chemistry	S	Homework / End of Topic Test
	Music	S	Homework / End of Topic Test
	Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	LO2 / 3 (Int. 1 / 2)	Religion and The Social World Test
Apr / May	Physical Education	S	EXAM (Written / Video)
	English	S	EXAM (Writing / Reading)
	Geography	S	EXAM
	Home Economics	S	EXAM (Practical / Theory)
	Administration	S	EXAM
	Accounting & Finance	S	EXAM
	Business Management	S	EXAM
	Computing	S	EXAM 2
	Physics	S	EXAM
	Mathematics	S	EXAM
Apr / May	French / German		EXAM (Reading / Listening)
	Fashion & Textile	Int. 2	Formative Unit Assessment
	Technology		
	Art	S	Drawing
	Biology	S	EXAM
	Chemistry	S	EXAM / End of Topic Test
Modern Studies		EXAM	

S3 SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENTS (cont'd)

MONTH	SUBJECT	LEVEL	TYPE OF ASSESSMENT
Apr / May	Music	S	EXAM / End of Topic Test
	Craft & Design	S	EXAM
	Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	LO2 / 3 (int. 1 / 2)	Religion and The Social World Test

Additional details

SUBJECT	DETAILS
Biology	Investigations and Practical Techniques ongoing throughout the year
Art	Assessing: Media Handling, Expression of Thoughts, Feelings, Solutions, Evaluations and Appreciation
Craft and Design	KU: End of Unit of work (3 / 4) Designing: end of each unit of work Practical Abilities: end of each unit of work
Graphic Communication	Continuous plus class test before reporting 3 skills: Knowledge / Interpretation; Drawing Abilities; Illustration / Presentation
French / German	End of unit test - every 4 - 6 weeks (all skills) A folio of 3 speaking assessments and 3 writing assessments will be produced over the course of the year Regular vocabulary tests
Geography	10 unit assessments throughout the year.
Horticulture Modules	Continuous assessment
Mathematics	Block assessment for General and Credit classes after 3 topics mostly (F-under development)
Modern Studies	End of unit tests every 1-3 months
Physics	End of unit tests - roughly every 7 weeks
History	KU/ Enquiry skills tested regularly throughout the year
PE Core	Practical/ subjective. End of block 4 - 6 weeks approximately
Home Economics	S Grade End of Essential Knowledge tests - 2 per term 2 projects: incorporated into units Int. 1 Practical Assessment: in class time
Accounting & Finance	End of Unit Assessment F/ G / C
Business Management	End of Unit Assessment F/ G / C

Additional details (cont'd)

SUBJECT	DETAILS
Administration	End of Unit Assessment F/ G / C
Computing	Project lasting 4 weeks Practical Assessment lasts 2 weeks
Religious Studies S Grade	End of Topic Tests (KU) EXAM (KU & EV)

S4 SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENTS

MONTH	SUBJECT	LEVEL	TYPE OF ASSESSMENT
June	Chemistry	S	Homework
	Biology	S	End of Topic Test
	Music	S	Practical / Listening Tests
Sept	Music	S	Practical / Listening Tests
	Chemistry	S	Homework
Oct	Music	S	Practical / Listening Tests
	Art	S	Graphic Design
	Physical Education	S	Practical / Written Tests
	Computing	S	Programming Project
	Chemistry	S	Homework
	Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	Int. 1 & 2	Making Moral Decisions Unit LO1
	Fashion & Textile	Int. 2	Start of Technological Project
	Technology		
Nov / Dec	Chemistry	S	Homework PRELIM
	Physics	S	PRELIM
	Craft & Design	S	PRELIM (KU)
	French / German	S	PRELIM (Reading / Listening / Speaking / Writing)
	Biology	S	End of Topic Test and PRELIM
	Art	S	PRELIM
	Computing	S	PRELIM
	Business Management	S	PRELIM
	Accounting & Finance	S	PRELIM
	Administration	S	PRELIM
	Modern Studies	S	PRELIM
	Home Economics	S	PRELIM (Practical / Theory)
	PE	S	Practical / Written EXAM PRELIM (Written / Video)
	English	S	PRELIM (Writing / Reading / Talking)
	Geography	S	PRELIM
	Mathematics	S	PRELIM
	Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	Int. 1 & 2	Making Moral Decisions Unit LO2 & 3
	Fashion & Textile	Int. 2	Formative End of Unit Assessment
	Technology		

S4 SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENTS (cont'd)

Appendix 1

MONTH	SUBJECT	LEVEL	TYPE OF ASSESSMENT
Jan	Music	S	Listening / Practical Tests
	Chemistry	S	Homework
	Biology	S	(Investigations / Practical Techniques)
	Computing	S	Applications Projects
Jan / Feb	Business Management	S	Practical Ability Project
	Accounting & Finance	S	Practical Ability Project
	Administration	S	Practical Ability Project
Feb	Music	S	Practical / Listening Tests
	Chemistry	S	Homework
	Biology	S	End of Unit Test
	Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	Int. 1 & 2	Making Moral Decisions Unit LO2 & 3
	Fashion & Textile Technology	Int. 2	Deadline for Technological Project
Mar / Apr	Music	S	Practical / Listening Tests
	Chemistry	S	Homework
	Biology	S	End of Unit Test
	Craft & Design	S	PA / Designing (Submission to SQA)
	Art	S	Painting
	Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	Int. 1 & 2	Making Moral Decisions Unit LO2 & 3
	Fashion & Textile Technology	Int. 2	PRELIM

Additional details

SUBJECT	DETAILS
French / German	Regular Vocabulary Tests Prepared Speaking Tasks (6 over the year for submission of grades to SQA) Prepared Writing Tasks (3-4 per year: folio of evidence for SQA) In 2001 – 2002 this will follow the S3 pattern
Physics	End of Unit Tests - roughly every 7-8 weeks Depending on ability of class
Geography	5-6 assessment tests throughout the year

Additional details (cont.)

SUBJECT	DETAILS
History	Assessing KU and Enquiry Skills regularly throughout the year: in part or whole at different levels
Computing	Projects take up to 4 weeks
Business Management	End of Unit Assessments – F / G / C Homework exercises to revise KU before tests
Accounting & Finance	End of Unit Assessments – G / C only Homework Exercises to revise KU before tests
Administration	End of Unit Assessments – F / G / C Homework exercises to revise KU before tests
Maths	Block Assessment for General and Credit classes after 3 topics mostly (F - Under Development)
Modern Studies	End of Unit Tests - vary in length every 1-3 months. Longer units may have 2 tests
Physical Education Core	Practical Subjective End of blocks every 6 weeks approximately
Home Economics	Regular course objective 5 & 6 assessments – 8 throughout the year. Prelim – Christmas and March (KU). 3 x course objective 7 practical assignments in term October – January.
Horticulture Modules	Continuous Assessment

S5 / 6 SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENTS

MONTH	SUBJECT	LEVEL	TYPE OF ASSESSMENT
June	Computing	Int. 1 / 2 H	End of Topic Tests End of Topic Tests
Aug	Computing	Int. 1 / 2 H	Practical Assignment Internet Search End of Topic Test
Sept	Computing	H	Folio End of Topic Test
Oct	Biology	All	Unit Assessment } + LO3 during unit. Unit Prelim } Date not fixed
	Physical Education		Unit Assessment
	Home Economics	Int. 2	Unit Assessment
	Computing	H	2 System Specifications
		Int. 1 / 2	End of Topic Tests
	Art	Int. 2	Interim Review – Design
		H	Interim Review – Design
		AH	Interim Review
	Chemistry	H	Unit Test and A / B Test
	Craft & Design	H	Unit Test
	French	AH/ H	Reading Assessments
	German	AH/ H	Reading Assessments
	Spanish	Acc. Beg.	Unit Assessments
	Health & Food	H	End of Unit Assessment
	Technology		
	Fashion & Textile	Int. 2	Unit Assessment
	Technology		
Nov	Physical Education	H	Unit Assessment
	Computing	H	Short Response Questions
		Int. 2	Programming Assignments / Software Development
	English	H	Critical Essay
	Computing	H	Design Algorithm x 2 Open Book Test
	Physics	H	Unit Assessment
		Int. 2	Unit Assessment
	Fashion & Textile	Int. 1	Unit Assessment
	Technology		

S5 / 6 SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENTS (cont'd)

MONTH	SUBJECT	LEVEL	TYPE OF ASSESSMENT	
Dec	Physical Education	H	Unit Assessment	
	Computing	H	Project	
	Bus Man	H / Int. 2	Pre-prelim	
	Accounting & Finance		Pre-prelim (all levels)	
	Administration		Pre-prelim (all levels)	
	Home Economics	Int. 2	Unit Assessment	
	Art		Int. 2	Interim Review – Design
			H	Interim Review – Design
			AH	Interim Review
	Spanish		H	Reading and Listening Assessments
			AH	Reading Assessment
English		All	Writing Unit Assessment	
Jan	English	H	Close Reading Specialist Study Unit Assessment	
	Physical Education	H	Written Assignment	
Feb	Physical Education	H	Unit Assessment	
	Computing	Int. 2	Short Response Questions / Project Assessment	
	English	All	PRELIM	
		All	Textual Analysis	
	French	AH / H	Listening Assessments	
	German	AH / H	Listening Assessments	
	Spanish	AH	Listening Assessments	
	Physics	H	Unit Assessment	
		Int. 2	Unit Assessment	
	Chemistry	H	Unit Test and A / B Test	
	Home Economics	Int. 2	Unit Assessment	
	Accounting & Finance	All	PRELIM	
	Administration	Int. 1/2	PRELIM	
	Art	Int. 2	PRELIM	
		H	PRELIM	
	Biology	All	PRELIM, Unit Prelim, Unit Assessment, LO3 during unit. Date not fixed.	
	Business Management	All	PRELIM	
	Chemistry		PRELIM	
Computing		PRELIM		

S5 / 6 SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENTS (cont'd)

MONTH	SUBJECT	LEVEL	TYPE OF ASSESSMENT
Feb (cont'd)	Craft & Design		PRELIM
	French	H	PRELIM
	Geography	All	PRELIM
	German	H	PRELIM
	Graphic Communication		PRELIM
	Maths		PRELIM
	Modern Studies	H	PRELIM
		Int. 2	PRELIM
		AH	PRELIM
	Physical Education	H	PRELIM
	Physics		PRELIM
	Spanish	H / Int. 2	PRELIM
	Fashion & Textile	Int. 1	Unit Assessment
Technology			
Mar	Biology	AH	Submission of Investigation Report
	English	H	Folio
	Craft & Design	H	Unit Tests
	French	AH / H	Speaking and Writing Assessments
	German	AH / H	Speaking and Writing Assessments
	Spanish	AH / H / Int. 2	Speaking and Writing Assessments
	Physical Education	H	Written Assignment
	Physics	Int. 2	Unit Assessment
	Fashion & Textile	Int. 1	Unit Assessment
	Technology		
	Health & Food	H	End of Unit Assessment
	Technology		
	Fashion & Textile	H	2 End of Unit Assessments / Deadline for
	Technology		submission of Technological Project

S5 / 6 SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENTS (cont'd)

MONTH	SUBJECT	LEVEL	TYPE OF ASSESSMENT
Apr	Health & Food Technology	H	Deadline for submission of Technological Project
	Home Economics	Int. 2	Practical Assessment
	Art	Int. 2	Review – Visual Arts & Design
		H	Review – Visual Arts & Design
		A H	Review – Visual Arts & Design
	Home Economics	Int. 2	Unit Assessment
	English	H	Discussion / Presentation Assessments
	Biology	H, Int2	Unit Assessment } + LO3 during unit.
			Unit Prelim } Date not fixed.
	Biology	AH	Unit Assessment and Prelim + LO3 during unit.
Date not fixed			
Craft & Design	H	Practical Abilities (Internal)	
May	Chemistry	H	Unit Test and A / B Test
	Physics	H	Unit Assessment
		Int. 2	Unit Assessment

Additional testing – timing not specified

French	H	Optional units – Speaking and Writing – (depending on chosen units)
German	H	
Spanish	H	
French	AH	Folio of work as appropriate
German		
Spanish	Int. 2	Oct – May as appropriate to group
Chemistry	H	Section Tests
	AH	3 Unit Tests, 12 Lab Reports, 1 Investigation, poss. A / B Tests
Computing	H	Optional unit depending on choice
Accounting & Finance	All	11 internal outcome assessments spread throughout the year
Business Management	H	8 internal outcome assessments spread throughout the year
	Int. 2	9 internal outcome assessments spread throughout the year
Administration	Int. 1	8 internal outcome assessments spread throughout the year
	Int. 2	10 internal outcome assessments spread throughout the year

Additional testing – timing not specified (cont'd)

Modern Studies	H	6 x 25 minute unit assessments 1 x 90 minute unit assessment
	Int2	6 x 25 minute unit assessments
	AH	3 assessments
Physical Education	H	On-going practical assessments
Geography	Int. 2	3 unit assessments
	H	6 x 25 min assessments (core) 3 x 50 min (Applications)
	AH	3 assessments
Maths	H, Int. 1,	End of topic tests
	Int. 2	Unit and A / B assessments
Music	H	Practical tests in Performance and Listening (dep. on development of pupil's skills) On-going monitoring of written work
Graphic Comm	H	Tests at end of each outcome
History	H	Essays / essay skills every 2-3 weeks Evidence work every 2-3 weeks from November onwards
	AH	Essay / Evidence / Historiography as required from November onwards
Philosophy	H	1 essay per unit internal assessment Practice timed essays and homework regularly
Practical Craft Skill		Unit Tests
Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	H	1 essay per unit
	Int. 2	Internal Assessment Practice timed essays and homework regularly
English	AH	Unit Assessments Specialist Study

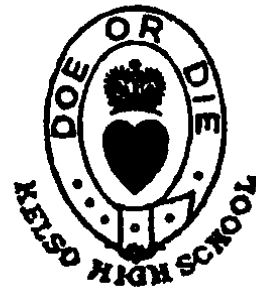
Regular class testing

French German Spanish	Vocabulary and Grammar Tests
Geography	Class Tests
Chemistry	Section Tests
Biology	Informal Class Assessments

KELSO HIGH SCHOOL

ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

BOOKLET FOR PARENTS



This booklet contains information on the assessments which take place in Kelso High School for S1 – S6 pupils. The booklet also provides a summary of all S1 – S6 assessments.

ASSESSMENTS IN S1 AND S2

One of the several changes your child encounters on entering S1 is the increase in the number of subjects studied and as a result the amount of assessment carried out.

What subjects are assessed?

In both S1 and S2, pupils study 15 subjects. There are two changes between S1 and S2 when pupils begin German but no longer study Information & Technology. At this stage all subjects apart from Personal and Social Education are assessed. In fact, many of these subjects have been taught in primary school but have not been assessed or reported on separately.

The curriculum in S1 and S2 is in line with the 5 - 14 National Guidelines: The Structure and Balance of the Curriculum. This identifies the 5 Areas of Study below.

All subjects fit into one of the areas.

Language	Mathematics	Environmental Studies	Expressive Arts and Physical Education	Religious and Moral Education
English French German	Mathematics	Science History Geography Modern Studies Home Economics Technical PSE	Art Music Physical Education	Religious and Moral Education

All pupils are also expected to acquire and develop ICT skills. In S1, all pupils receive 2 periods of Information and Communication Technology. Increasingly across the curriculum, teachers are being encouraged to use ICT in their teaching and pupils will have many opportunities to use their skills in class and where possible, in homework.

Guidelines for Assessment

Assessment in each subject is carried out in line with the 5 – 14 Guidelines for each of the areas and the particular subject within the area.

How often does assessment take place?

The frequency of assessment is determined by the individual department and is detailed elsewhere in this booklet.

What kind of assessment are there?

Assessment can be either Diagnostic or Summative.

Diagnostic assessment is carried out usually at the end of each unit to see how each pupil is progressing. The results can be used to identify areas of the unit needing to be reinforced with all pupils, or to highlight areas of weakness with certain pupils.

Summative Assessment is carried out at the end of the course and shows the level of performance achieved by the pupil in each element of a subject.

Assessment can take many forms. Most assessments are written tests, but many subjects make use of other types of assessment.

PRACTICAL: This is where pupils have to produce something as in Art, Technical, Home Economics, Information Technology or perform as in Music or Physical Education. It is also used in Science when pupils have to carry out experiments.

SPEAKING: This is used most regularly in Modern Languages and English with pupils preparing talks, dialogues or role plays. This may be used in other subjects like Science where pupils have to present findings of experiments.

LISTENING: This is used regularly in Modern Languages and Music and usually involves listening to cassettes and answering questions on the passages / music heard.

MEMORISING: In all subjects, there is knowledge to be learned and memorised. Memorising facts and vocabulary should be a regular part of homework activities.

PROJECT: Pupils are asked in some subjects to produce a lengthy report on an extended piece of study. History, Geography and Modern Studies in particular use this form of assessment.

What is assessed in each subject?

In all subjects pupils are assessed in the different elements according to the 5 - 14 guidelines.

SUBJECT	ELEMENTS
Art and Design	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Using materials, Skills and Media ➤ Expressing Ideas, Thoughts and Solutions ➤ Evaluating, Appreciating
English	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Reading ➤ Writing ➤ Talking
French and German	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Reading ➤ Listening ➤ Speaking ➤ Writing
Geography, History and Modern Studies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Knowledge and Understanding ➤ Skills: evaluating, planning, collecting, presenting, interpreting
Home Economics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Knowledge and Understanding ➤ Food: Practical and Organisational Skills and Abilities ➤ Fabric: Developing Ideas and Creating Solutions
Information Technology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Text Handling ➤ Information Handling ➤ Image Handling ➤ Modelling ➤ Position, Movement and Control

SUBJECT	ELEMENTS
Mathematics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Number, Money and Measurement ➤ Shape, Position and Movement ➤ Information Handling
Music	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Performing ➤ Inventing ➤ Listening
Physical Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Applying Skills ➤ Developing Fitness
Religious Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Christianity ➤ Other World Religions ➤ Personal Search
Science	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Knowledge ➤ Process Skills
Technical Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Knowledge and Understanding ➤ Practical Abilities ➤ Drawing and Sketching

When is assessment reported?

Summative assessment is reported in the S1 report in June and the S2 report in March. For each element within a subject, pupils will be graded on the 5 - 14 level (A to F) towards which they are working.

Level A should be attainable in the course of P1 – P3 by almost all pupils.

Level B should be attainable by some pupils in P3 or even earlier, but certainly by most in P4.

Level C should be attainable in the course of P4 – P6 by most pupils.

Level D should be attainable by some pupils in P5 – P6 or earlier, but certainly by most in P7.

Level E should be attainable by some pupils in P7 / S1, but certainly by most in S2.

Level F should be attainable in part by some pupils, and completed by a few pupils in the course of P7 – S2.

Which subjects use National Testing?

National Testing is at present only carried out in English and Maths. English usually tests in May and Maths in the summer term. These results are also indicated on S1 June Report and the S2 March Report.

There is a phased programme to introduce National Testing in other subjects.

STANDARD GRADE ASSESSMENT

Standard Grade assessment is recorded on a 7 point scale. (Grade 1 being highest)

These grades are broken down as follows:-

Grades 1 and 2	Credit Level
Grades 3 and 4	General Level
Grades 5 and 6	Foundation Level
Grade 7	Has completed the course but has not achieved the standard required for a pass at Credit, General or Foundation Level.

Each Standard Grade course consists of at least two assessable elements and the overall grade is derived from the mean or average of the grades attained in each element.

E.g. Mathematics has two assessable element, Knowledge and Understanding (KU) and Reasoning and Enquiry (RE) and the average of the grade obtained in each give the overall grade achieved.

In a number of subjects however, the overall grade may be derived from a weighted mean.

E.g. In Modern Languages the Speaking grade is doubled and added to the grades achieved for Reading and Listening and the total is divided by 4 to obtain the final grade. This weighing will change with the 2003 examinations when a writing grade will be a compulsory element and the weighing will be Reading 2, Speaking 2, Listening 1 and Writing 1 and the total will be divided by 6 to obtain the final grade.

**STANDARD GRADE COURSES
ASSESSMENT FOR CERTIFICATION**

Subject	Element	Weighting	Element	Weighting	Element	Weighting	Element	Weighting
Accounting & Finance	Knowledge & Understanding	1	Handling Information	1	Practical Abilities	1		
Art & Design	Expressive Activity	1	Critical Activity	1	Design Activity	1		
Biology	Knowledge & Understanding	2	Problem Solving	2	Practical Abilities	1		
Business Administration	Knowledge & Understanding	3	Problem Solving	3	Practical Abilities	4		
Business Management	Knowledge & Understanding	1	Decision Making	1	Practical Abilities	1		
Chemistry	Knowledge & Understanding	2	Problem Solving	2	Practical Abilities	1		
Computing	Knowledge & Understanding	1	Problem Solving	2	Practical Abilities	2		
Craft & Design	Knowledge & Understanding	1	Designing	1	Practical Abilities	1		
English	Reading	1	Writing	1	Talking	1		
Graphic Communication	Knowledge & Interpretation	1	Drawing Abilities	1	Illustration & Presentation	1		
Geography	Knowledge & Understanding	2	Enquiry Skills	3				
History	Knowledge & Understanding	2	Enquiry Skills	3				
Home Economics	Knowledge & Understanding	1	Handling Information	1	Practical & Organisational Skills	2		
Mathematics until 2000	Knowledge & Understanding	2	Reasoning & Application	2	Investigating	1		
Mathematics from 2001	Knowledge & Understanding	1	Reasoning & Application	1				
Modern Languages until 2002	Reading	1	Listening	1	Speaking	2	Writing	
Modern Languages from 2003 (prov.)	Reading	2	Listening	1	Speaking	2	Writing	1
Modern Studies	Knowledge & Understanding	2	Enquiry Skills	3				
Music	Solo Performing	1	Listening	1	Group Performing	1	Inventing	1
Physical Education	Knowledge & Understanding	1	Evaluating	1	Practical Performance	2		
Physics	Knowledge & Understanding	2	Problem Solving	2	Practical Abilities	1		
Religious Studies	Knowledge & Understanding	1	Evaluating	1	Investigating	1		
Science	Knowledge & Understanding	2	Problem Solving	2	Practical Abilities	1		
Social & Vocational Skills	Communicative Abilities	1	Practical Abilities	1				
Technological Studies	Knowledge & Understanding	1	Technological Communication	1	Problem Solving	1		

HIGHER STILL

The goal of Higher Still is to provide the opportunity for all students to reach the highest standards of which they are capable across a broad range of subjects and to develop competence in the core skills of Communication, Numeracy, Problem Solving, Information Technology and Working with Others.

In Kelso High School, a range of academic subjects is offered at Higher level, many with progression to Advanced Higher which has replaced the Certificate of Sixth Year Studies. Most subjects also offer Intermediate 2 and there are also some Intermediate 1 courses.

The normal route of progress is:-

- Pupils in Class 4 who attain Standard Grade Credit level (1 or 2) in a subject (this may apply to specific elements of the subject) will normally proceed to Higher Level in Class 5 and possibly to Advanced Higher in Class 6.
- Pupils who attain General level (3 or 4) will normally proceed to Intermediate 2 in Class 5 and may be able to continue to Higher in Class 6.
- Pupils who attain Foundation level (5 or 6) will normally proceed to Intermediate 1 and perhaps to Intermediate 2 in Class 6.

(Assuming in all cases that the subjects are offered at the appropriate level).

Courses are divided into units. The most common pattern would be 3 units of 40 hours but some last 20 hours or 80 hours. Normally these are studied for one after the other but in some subjects more than one unit is studied at the same time (e.g. in English).

In most subjects there is internal assessment for each unit in which the pupil may be required to achieve as much as 80% to pass. Should a candidate fail, he / she is given a second chance to sit a similar test. Failure to achieve at the second attempt may indicate that the candidate should be advised to transfer to a course at the level below, if this is available. Many subjects also offer tests which will indicate whether a pupil is likely to achieve a pass above level C.

As well as completing all the units and passing relevant unit tests, candidates sit an external examination for which passes are graded A, B or C. If a candidate narrowly misses a pass, he / she will be awarded a Grade A at the level below the one which was attempted.

A student must be successful in all unit assessments and in the external examination in order to gain an award for the course.

Some courses in the school are offered at Access 3 level. These courses do not involve an external examination and are awarded on the basis of unit tests.

SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENTS

In S1 and S2, there is regular testing in most subjects. This often takes place at the end of a block/unit of work or, in the case of practical assessments, is ongoing with classwork.

S1

In S1 the following subjects give end of block / unit assessments:-

- ❖ English
- ❖ French (Reading, Writing, Speaking and some Listening)
- ❖ Geography
- ❖ History
- ❖ Mathematics
- ❖ Modern Studies
- ❖ Religious and Moral Education
- ❖ Science
- ❖ Technical (Knowledge and Understanding, Designing)

In the following subjects, practical assessments are ongoing with classwork:-

- Art
- French (Regular Listening tests)
- Home Economics
- Information Technology
- Modern Studies (Skills assessment)
- Music
- Physical Education
- Technical

National Testing

The English department conducts Reading Tests in June.

The Mathematics department conducts a few National Tests as appropriate.

S2

In S2, regular testing continues and some subjects set an examination in February.

The following subjects give end of block / unit assessments:-

- Art (October - Expressive, December - Design, March - Expressive)
- French (Reading, Writing, Speaking and some Listening)
- Geography (Including October - class test, December - A3 display, January - Newspaper article, June - Fieldwork report)
- German (Reading, Writing, Speaking and some Listening)
- History (Knowledge and Understanding)
- Mathematics
- Modern Studies
- Physical Education
- Religious and Moral Education (Assignments linked to classwork)
- Science

In the following subjects, tests are ongoing with classwork:-

- ◆ French (Regular Listening tests)
- ◆ German (Regular Listening tests)
- ◆ Modern Studies (Skills assessment)
- ◆ Music

The following subjects set exams in February:-

- ❖ Modern Studies
- ❖ Religious and Moral Education
- ❖ Science

National Testing

The English department conducts:-

Writing Tests (Narrative) in October

Reading Tests in March

Writing Tests (Functional) in January/February)

The Mathematics department conducts the bulk of its National Testing in May.

S3 / S4

French, German, Computing and Home Economics hold exams in November of S3. All Standard Grade subjects have examinations in May in S3, Prelim exams in December of S4 and a final external exam in May / June of S4.

In addition, the following subjects give end of section / topic tests:-

Accounting and Finance	Administration
Art	Biology
Business Management	Chemistry
Computing	Craft and Design
French	Geography
German	Graphic Communication
History	Home Economics
Mathematics	Modern Studies
Physics	Physical Education
Religious Studies	

There are practical assessments in:-

Art
Biology
Chemistry
Computing
Craft and Design
Home Economics
Music
Physical Education

- ◆ Homework is assessed in Chemistry and Music.
- ◆ There is continuous assessment in Graphic Communication and Human and Plant Biology.
- ◆ Projects have to be completed in Accounting and Finance, Administration, Business Management, Computing and Craft and Design.
- ◆ Folios of Speaking tests and Writing tasks have to be completed in French and German.
- ◆ Reports are completed in English for Reading, Writing and Talking.
- ◆ Religious and Moral Education is assessed at the end of each learning outcome.

S5 / S6

All subjects at Intermediate 1, Intermediate 2 and Higher and most subjects at Advanced Higher involve unit/internal outcome/practical assessments as well as prelim exams and a final external exam. In addition, many subjects include regular informal class tests.

S1 SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENTS

MONTH	SUBJECT	LEVEL	TYPE OF ASSESSMENT
Sept	French	5-14	Assessment of Reading, Writing and Speaking
	History	5-14	1 End of Unit Assessment
	Science	5-14	1 End of Unit Assessment
Oct	History	5-14	2 End of Unit Assessments
Dec	Science	5-14	1 End of Unit Assessment
	English	5-14	1 End of Unit Assessment
	Geography	5-14	1 End of Unit Assessment
Jan	French	5-14	Assessment of Reading, Writing and Speaking
	History	5-14	1 End of Unit Assessment
	Geography	5-14	1 End of Unit Assessment
Mar	History	5-14	1 End of Unit Assessment
	Geography	5-14	1 End of Unit Assessment
	Science	5-14	1 End of Unit Assessment
Apr	English	5-14	1 End of Unit Assessment
	French	5-14	Assessment of Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening
May	History	5-14	2 End of Unit Assessments
June	Science	5-14	1 End of Unit Assessment
	Geography	5-14	1 End of Unit Assessment

Regular Class Testing

Art	Practical Assessments ongoing with classwork
French	Listening Assessments every month
Home Economics	Practical Assessments ongoing with classwork
Information Technology	Practical Assessments ongoing with classwork
Maths	Level C - End of Topic Tests approximately every 2 to 3 weeks Levels D & E – End of Block Tests approximately every 4 to 6 weeks Level F - End of Block Tests approximately every 2 months
Modern Studies	End of Unit Tests approximately every 2 months Skills Assessment done through class activities
Music	Practical Assessments ongoing with classwork
PE	Practical assessments ongoing with classwork
Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	2 tests per year Skills Assessment done through classwork
Technical	Practical Assessments ongoing with classwork Designing and K & U at end of each unit of work.

S2 SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENTS

MONTH	SUBJECT	LEVEL	TYPE OF ASSESSMENT
Sept	History	5-14	KU
Oct	Science	5-14	Topic Test
	Art	5-14	Assessment of Expressive Unit
	Geography	5-14	Class Test
	French	5-14	Assessment of Reading, Writing and Speaking
	German	5-14	Assessment of Reading, Writing and Speaking
Nov	History	5-14	KU
Dec	Art	5-14	Design Unit Assessment
	Geography	5-14	A3 Display
	Science	5-14	Topic Test
Jan	History	5-14	Evaluation
	Geography	5-14	Newspaper Article
Feb	English	5-14	S2 Exam and Class Writing Test
	French	5-14	Assessment of Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening
	German	5-14	Assessment of Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening
	History	5-14	KU
	Science	5-14	S2 Exam / Topic Test
	Modern Studies	5-14	S2 Exam
Mar	Art	5-14	Expressive Unit Assessment
May	French	5-14	Assessment of Reading, Writing and Speaking
	German	5-14	Assessment of Reading, Writing and Speaking
June	Geography	5-14	Fieldwork Report

Regular Class Testing

Music	Weekly / fortnightly test for practical work
Geography	4 end of unit tests completed in class time
PE	End of block tests every 6 weeks
Maths	Levels C, D & E - end of block tests approximately 4 to 6 weeks Level F - end of block tests approximately every 2 months
Modern Studies	End of unit tests approximately every 2 months Skills assessment done through class activities
Modern Languages	Listening assessments every 4 weeks approximately
Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	February exam and assignments linked to classwork throughout the year

S3 SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENTS

MONTH	SUBJECT	LEVEL	TYPE OF ASSESSMENT
June	Chemistry	S	Homework / Practical Assessments
	Music	S	Practical / Listening Tests
	Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	LO1 (Int. 1 / 2)	Making Moral Decisions Test
Sept	Computing	S	Practical Assessment – Printer Comparison
	Biology	S	End of Topic Test
	Chemistry	S	End of Topic Test
	Music	S	End of Topic Test
	Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	LO2 / 3 (Int. 1 / 2)	Human Rights Test (Capital Punishment)
Oct	Physical Education	S	Practical / Written Test
	Computing	S	Test: Systems 2
	Art	S	Sculpture
	Chemistry	S	End of Topic Test
	Music	S	End of Topic Test
Nov	English	S	REPORT (Reading / Writing / Talking)
	Home Economics	S	EXAM (Theory / Practical)
	Computing	S	EXAM 1 Database Project
	French / German	S	EXAM (Reading / Listening)
	Fashion & Textile	Int. 2	Formative Unit Assessments
	Technology		
	Chemistry	S	Homework
	Music	S	Homework
Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	LO2 (Int. 1 / 2)	Human Rights Test (Racial Prejudice)	
Dec	Physical Education	S	Practical / Written Test
	Art	S	Product Design
	Biology	S	End of Unit Test
	Bus Man	S	End of Section Test
	Accounting & Finance	S	End of Section Test
	Administration	S	End of Section Test
	Chemistry	S	Homework
	Music	S	Homework
	Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	Int. 1 / 2	Human Rights Test (Freedom of Speech)

S3 SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENTS (cont'd)

MONTH	SUBJECT	LEVEL	TYPE OF ASSESSMENT
Jan	Chemistry	S	Homework
	Music	S	Homework
Feb	Chemistry	S	Homework
	Music	S	Homework
	Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	LO1 (Int. 1)	Religion and The Social World Test
Mar	Physical Education	S	Practical / Written Test
	Fashion & Textile	Int. 2	EXAM
	Technology		
	Computing	S	Test: Systems 3
	Art	S	Painting
	Biology	S	End of Topic Test
	Chemistry	S	Homework / End of Topic Test
	Music	S	Homework / End of Topic Test
	Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	LO2 / 3 (Int. 1 / 2)	Religion and The Social World Test
Apr / May	Physical Education	S	EXAM (Written / Video)
	English	S	EXAM (Writing / Reading)
	Geography	S	EXAM
	Home Economics	S	EXAM (Practical / Theory)
	Administration	S	EXAM
	Accounting & Finance	S	EXAM
	Business Management	S	EXAM
	Computing	S	EXAM 2
	Physics	S	EXAM
	Mathematics	S	EXAM
	Apr / May	French / German	
Fashion & Textile		Int. 2	Formative Unit Assessment
Technology			
Art		S	Drawing
Biology		S	EXAM
Chemistry		S	EXAM / End of Topic Test
Modern Studies			EXAM

S3 SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENTS (cont'd)

MONTH	SUBJECT	LEVEL	TYPE OF ASSESSMENT
Apr / May	Music	S	EXAM / End of Topic Test
	Craft & Design	S	EXAM
	Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	LO2 / 3 (int. 1 / 2)	Religion and The Social World Test

Additional details

SUBJECT	DETAILS
Biology	Investigations and Practical Techniques ongoing throughout the year
Art	Assessing: Media Handling, Expression of Thoughts, Feelings, Solutions, Evaluations and Appreciation
Craft and Design	KU: End of Unit of work (3 / 4) Designing: end of each unit of work Practical Abilities: end of each unit of work
Graphic Communication	Continuous plus class test before reporting 3 skills: Knowledge / Interpretation; Drawing Abilities; Illustration / Presentation
French / German	End of unit test - every 4 - 6 weeks (all skills) A folio of 3 speaking assessments and 3 writing assessments will be produced over the course of the year Regular vocabulary tests
Geography	10 unit assessments throughout the year.
Horticulture Modules	Continuous assessment
Mathematics	Block assessment for General and Credit classes after 3 topics mostly (F-under development)
Modern Studies	End of unit tests every 1-3 months
Physics	End of unit tests - roughly every 7 weeks
History	KU/ Enquiry skills tested regularly throughout the year
PE Core	Practical/ subjective. End of block 4 - 6 weeks approximately
Home Economics	S Grade End of Essential Knowledge tests - 2 per term 2 projects: incorporated into units Int. 1 Practical Assessment: in class time
Accounting & Finance	End of Unit Assessment F/ G / C
Business Management	End of Unit Assessment F/ G / C

Additional details (cont'd)

SUBJECT	DETAILS
Administration	End of Unit Assessment F/ G / C
Computing	Project lasting 4 weeks Practical Assessment lasts 2 weeks
Religious Studies S Grade	End of Topic Tests (KU) EXAM (KU & EV)

S4 SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENTS

MONTH	SUBJECT	LEVEL	TYPE OF ASSESSMENT
June	Chemistry	S	Homework
	Biology	S	End of Topic Test
	Music	S	Practical / Listening Tests
Sept	Music	S	Practical / Listening Tests
	Chemistry	S	Homework
Oct	Music	S	Practical / Listening Tests
	Art	S	Graphic Design
	Physical Education	S	Practical / Written Tests
	Computing	S	Programming Project
	Chemistry	S	Homework
	Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	Int. 1 & 2	Making Moral Decisions Unit LO1
	Fashion & Textile	Int. 2	Start of Technological Project
	Technology		
Nov / Dec	Chemistry	S	Homework PRELIM
	Physics	S	PRELIM
	Craft & Design	S	PRELIM (KU)
	French / German	S	PRELIM (Reading / Listening / Speaking / Writing)
	Biology	S	End of Topic Test and PRELIM
	Art	S	PRELIM
	Computing	S	PRELIM
	Business Management	S	PRELIM
	Accounting & Finance	S	PRELIM
	Administration	S	PRELIM
	Modern Studies	S	PRELIM
	Home Economics	S	PRELIM (Practical / Theory)
	PE	S	Practical / Written EXAM PRELIM (Written / Video)
	English	S	PRELIM (Writing / Reading / Talking)
	Geography	S	PRELIM
	Mathematics	S	PRELIM
	Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	Int. 1 & 2	Making Moral Decisions Unit LO2 & 3
	Fashion & Textile	Int. 2	Formative End of Unit Assessment
	Technology		

S4 SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENTS (cont'd)

MONTH	SUBJECT	LEVEL	TYPE OF ASSESSMENT
Jan	Music	S	Listening / Practical Tests
	Chemistry	S	Homework
	Biology	S	(Investigations / Practical Techniques)
	Computing	S	Applications Projects
Jan / Feb	Business Management	S	Practical Ability Project
	Accounting & Finance	S	Practical Ability Project
	Administration	S	Practical Ability Project
Feb	Music	S	Practical / Listening Tests
	Chemistry	S	Homework
	Biology	S	End of Unit Test
	Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	Int. 1 & 2	Making Moral Decisions Unit LO2 & 3
	Fashion & Textile	Int. 2	Deadline for Technological Project
	Technology		
Mar / Apr	Music	S	Practical / Listening Tests
	Chemistry	S	Homework
	Biology	S	End of Unit Test
	Craft & Design	S	PA / Designing (Submission to SQA)
	Art	S	Painting
	Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	Int. 1 & 2	Making Moral Decisions Unit LO2 & 3
	Fashion & Textile	Int. 2	PRELIM
	Technology		

Additional details

SUBJECT	DETAILS
French / German	Regular Vocabulary Tests Prepared Speaking Tasks (6 over the year for submission of grades to SQA) Prepared Writing Tasks (3-4 per year: folio of evidence for SQA) In 2001 – 2002 this will follow the S3 pattern
Physics	End of Unit Tests - roughly every 7-8 weeks Depending on ability of class
Geography	5-6 assessment tests throughout the year

Additional details (cont.)

SUBJECT	DETAILS
History	Assessing KU and Enquiry Skills regularly throughout the year: in part or whole at different levels
Computing	Projects take up to 4 weeks
Business Management	End of Unit Assessments – F / G / C Homework exercises to revise KU before tests
Accounting & Finance	End of Unit Assessments – G / C only Homework Exercises to revise KU before tests
Administration	End of Unit Assessments – F / G / C Homework exercises to revise KU before tests
Maths	Block Assessment for General and Credit classes after 3 topics mostly (F - Under Development)
Modern Studies	End of Unit Tests - vary in length every 1-3 months. Longer units may have 2 tests
Physical Education Core	Practical Subjective End of blocks every 6 weeks approximately
Home Economics	End of ? 2 each term
Horticulture Modules	Continuous Assessment

S5 / 6 SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENTS

MONTH	SUBJECT	LEVEL	TYPE OF ASSESSMENT
June	Computing	Int. 1 / 2 H	End of Topic Tests End of Topic Tests
Aug	Computing	Int. 1 / 2 H	Practical Assignment Internet Search End of Topic Test
Sept	Computing	H	Folio End of Topic Test
Oct	Biology	All	Unit Assessment } + LO3 during unit. Unit Prelim } Date not fixed
	Physical Education		Unit Assessment
	Home Economics	Int. 2	Unit Assessment
	Computing	H	2 System Specifications
		Int. 1 / 2	End of Topic Tests
	Art	Int. 2	Interim Review – Design
		H	Interim Review – Design
		AH	Interim Review
	Chemistry	H	Unit Test and A / B Test
	Craft & Design	H	Unit Test
	French	AH/ H	Reading Assessments
	German	AH/ H	Reading Assessments
	Spanish	Acc. Beg.	Unit Assessments
	Health & Food	H	End of Unit Assessment
	Technology		
	Fashion & Textile	Int. 2	Unit Assessment
	Technology		
Nov	Physical Education	H	Unit Assessment
	Computing	H	Short Response Questions
		Int. 2	Programming Assignments / Software Development
	English	H	Critical Essay
	Computing	H	Design Algorithm x 2 Open Book Test
	Physics	H	Unit Assessment
		Int. 2	Unit Assessment
	Fashion & Textile	Int. 1	Unit Assessment
	Technology		

S5 / 6 SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENTS (cont'd)

MONTH	SUBJECT	LEVEL	TYPE OF ASSESSMENT	
Dec	Physical Education	H	Unit Assessment	
	Computing	H	Project	
	Bus Man	H / Int. 2	Pre-prelim	
	Accounting & Finance		Pre-prelim (all levels)	
	Administration		Pre-prelim (all levels)	
	Home Economics	Int. 2	Unit Assessment	
	Art		Int. 2	Interim Review – Design
			H	Interim Review – Design
			AH	Interim Review
	Spanish		H	Reading and Listening Assessments
			AH	Reading Assessment
English		All	Writing Unit Assessment	
Jan	English	H	Close Reading Specialist Study Unit Assessment	
	Physical Education	H	Written Assignment	
Feb	Physical Education	H	Unit Assessment	
	Computing	Int. 2	Short Response Questions / Project Assessment	
	English	All	PRELIM	
		All	Textual Analysis	
	French	AH / H	Listening Assessments	
	German	AH / H	Listening Assessments	
	Spanish	AH	Listening Assessments	
	Physics	H	Unit Assessment	
		Int. 2	Unit Assessment	
	Chemistry	H	Unit Test and A / B Test	
	Home Economics	Int. 2	Unit Assessment	
	Accounting & Finance	All	PRELIM	
	Administration	Int. 1/2	PRELIM	
	Art	Int. 2	PRELIM	
		H	PRELIM	
	Biology	All	PRELIM, Unit Prelim, Unit Assessment, LO3 during unit. Date not fixed.	
		All	PRELIM	
	Business Management	All	PRELIM	
	Chemistry		PRELIM	
Computing		PRELIM		

S5 / 6 SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENTS (cont'd)

MONTH	SUBJECT	LEVEL	TYPE OF ASSESSMENT	
Feb (cont'd)	Craft & Design		PRELIM	
	French	H	PRELIM	
	Geography	All	PRELIM	
	German	H	PRELIM	
	Graphic Communication		PRELIM	
	Maths		PRELIM	
	Modern Studies		H	PRELIM
			Int. 2	PRELIM
			AH	PRELIM
	Physical Education	H	PRELIM	
	Physics		PRELIM	
	Spanish	H / Int. 2	PRELIM	
	Fashion & Textile	Int. 1	Unit Assessment	
Technology				
Mar	Biology	AH	Submission of Investigation Report	
	English	H	Folio	
	Craft & Design	H	Unit Tests	
	French	AH / H	Speaking and Writing Assessments	
	German	AH / H	Speaking and Writing Assessments	
	Spanish	AH / H / Int. 2	Speaking and Writing Assessments	
	Physical Education	H	Written Assignment	
	Physics	Int. 2	Unit Assessment	
	Fashion & Textile	Int. 1	Unit Assessment	
	Technology			
	Health & Food	H	End of Unit Assessment	
	Technology			
	Fashion & Textile	H	2 End of Unit Assessments / Deadline for	
	Technology		submission of Technological Project	

S5 / 6 SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENTS (cont'd)

MONTH	SUBJECT	LEVEL	TYPE OF ASSESSMENT
Apr	Health & Food Technology	H	Deadline for submission of Technological Project
	Home Economics	Int. 2	Practical Assessment
	Art	Int. 2	Review – Visual Arts & Design
		H	Review – Visual Arts & Design
		A H	Review – Visual Arts & Design
	Home Economics	Int. 2	Unit Assessment
	English	H	Discussion / Presentation Assessments
	Biology	H, Int2	Unit Assessment } + LO3 during unit.
			Unit Prelim } Date not fixed.
	Biology	AH	Unit Assessment and Prelim + LO3 during unit.
Date not fixed			
Craft & Design	H	Practical Abilities (Internal)	
May	Chemistry	H	Unit Test and A / B Test
	Physics	H	Unit Assessment
		Int. 2	Unit Assessment

Additional testing – timing not specified

French	H	Optional units – Speaking and Writing – (depending on chosen units)
German	H	
Spanish	H	
French	AH	Folio of work as appropriate
German		
Spanish	Int. 2	Oct – May as appropriate to group
Chemistry	H	Section Tests
	AH	3 Unit Tests, 12 Lab Reports, 1 Investigation, poss. A / B Tests
Computing	H	Optional unit depending on choice
Accounting & Finance	All	11 internal outcome assessments spread throughout the year
Business Management	H	8 internal outcome assessments spread throughout the year
	Int. 2	9 internal outcome assessments spread throughout the year
Administration	Int. 1	8 internal outcome assessments spread throughout the year
	Int. 2	10 internal outcome assessments spread throughout the year

Additional testing – timing not specified (cont'd)

Modern Studies	H	6 x 25 minute unit assessments 1 x 90 minute unit assessment
	Int2	6 x 25 minute unit assessments
	AH	3 assessments
Physical Education	H	On-going practical assessments
Geography	Int. 2	3 unit assessments
	H	6 x 25 min assessments (core) 3 x 50 min (Applications)
	AH	3 assessments
Maths	H, Int. 1,	End of topic tests
	Int. 2	Unit and A / B assessments
Music	H	Practical tests in Performance and Listening (dep. on development of pupil's skills) On-going monitoring of written work
Graphic Comm	H	Tests at end of each outcome
History	H	Essays / essay skills every 2-3 weeks Evidence work every 2-3 weeks from November onwards
	AH	Essay / Evidence / Historiography as required from November onwards
Philosophy	H	1 essay per unit internal assessment Practice timed essays and homework regularly
Practical Craft Skill		Unit Tests
Religious, Moral & Philosophical Studies	H	1 essay per unit
	Int. 2	Internal Assessment Practice timed essays and homework regularly
English	AH	Unit Assessments Specialist Study

Regular class testing

French German Spanish	Vocabulary and Grammar Tests
Geography	Class Tests
Chemistry	Section Tests
Biology	Informal Class Assessments