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Dear Parents / Carers of Pupils in S3

Pupils in S3 are now well established in their S3 courses and pupils have already been involved in sitting Unit assessments or NABs which contribute to their SQA National Qualification (NQ) courses. As a school, over the past couple of years, we have introduced some new measures to try and ensure that your son / daughter achieves their full potential at the most appropriate level – S3 Exams, tracking reports and target setting.

In short, your son / daughter is in the middle of two very important and busy years in their schooling and you may well be asking what can you as parents do to help support them through this period.

On Thurs 3rd March 2011, we have organised a special S3 Curriculum Evening to give information and advice to parents about the support you can give to your son/daughter at this stage in their education. It will commence at 7.00 pm in the Conference Room and last approximately 1 hour. The evening aims to provide parents with a greater understanding of what is involved in NQ courses, what is expected of the pupils and how parents can help their son / daughter to achieve their best.

Mrs E Gordon (DHT) will lead a session focussing on Study Skills. It will explain the lessons which pupils receive in school to assist their study and will give advice to parents on how best they can play a supportive role in their child’s study.

I hope you will be able to join us on the evening and will find it an informative, enjoyable and worthwhile experience.

To give an idea of likely numbers, please complete the attached form and return it via your son / daughter to the School Office by Friday 25th February 2011

Yours sincerely

Anne Lewis
Head of Year S3

Name of Pupil _____ Year _____

S3 Curriculum Evening - Thurs 3rd March 2011

I / we will be able to attend the evening. Number attending _____

Signature of Parent _____ Date _____