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Dear Parent/Guardian,

S3 SNSA - Scottish National Standardised Assessments (SNSA)

During the months of May/June, all of our S3 students at Berwickshire High School will sit standardised Literacy and Numeracy assessments, which will be completed during English and Mathematics lessons. These assessments are nothing for students to worry about. Their purpose is for us to find out as a school how students are progressing, so we can respond to this.

The assessments will be completed online. The results will be used to help plan future teaching, or to identify students who require targeted support.

Students do not have to revise or prepare for the assessments. They are designed to be used as part of normal learning and teaching.

The assessments do not have a time limit attached to them. For most students, they will take up to 45 minutes to complete. They are adaptive, meaning that the question a student is asked depends on how they answered the question before. In this way, these assessments are designed to be appropriate for use with all students, including those who require additional support.

Further information is available on the SNSA website:

<https://standardisedassessment.gov.scot/parents-and-carers/>

Yours faithfully,

Karen Thomson
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