

Information for Parents regarding Classroom Based Assessments (CBAs) 2018-2019

Second Year Parents:

Your child is now studying the new Junior Cycle course in the following subjects:

1. English
2. Irish
3. French/German (MFL- Modern Foreign Languages)
4. Science
5. Business Studies
6. Art, Craft & Design

Throughout 2nd year they will be completing a **Classroom Based Assessment(CBA)** in the above subjects.

CBAs will be undertaken during a defined time period *in class time* as per a national timetable. The dates for these CBAs appear below. It is therefore very important that your child is present in class during these times.

Dates for CBAS 2nd Year:

Junior Cycle English Classroom-Based Assessment 1 in 2019

Timeline for *Oral Communication*

Period for work on and completion of <i>Oral Communication</i>	Monday 29th April to Monday 20th May 2019
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Junior Cycle Business Studies Classroom-Based Assessment 1 in 2019

Timeline for *Business in Action*

Period during which students spend four weeks completing <i>Business in Action</i>	Monday 4th March to Friday 12th April 2019
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Junior Cycle Science Classroom-Based Assessment 1 in 2019

Timeline for *Extended Experimental Investigation (EEI)*

Period during which students spend three weeks completing the <i>Extended Experimental Investigation</i>	Monday 4th March to Friday 12th April 2019
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Junior Cycle **MFL** Classroom-Based Assessment 1 in 2019

Timeline for *Oral Communication*

Period for work on and completion of *Oral Communication*

Monday 29th April to
Friday 17th May, 2019

Junior Cycle **Visual Art** Classroom-Based Assessment 1 in 2019

Timeline for *From Process to Realisation*

Period during which students complete *From Process to Realisation*

Monday 7th January to
Friday 12th April 2019

Themes issued by NCCA on 7th January

Junior Cycle **Gaeilge** Classroom-Based Assessment 1 **Language Portfolio** is completed in the first term of third year. Dates will be included for school year 2019/2020.

CBAs will be assessed by the class teacher and students will be awarded the following descriptors:

- Exceptional
- Above Expectations
- In Line with Expectations
- Yet to Meet Expectations

These results will appear on the Junior Cycle Profile of Achievement which your son/daughter will receive the November following their Junior Cycle Exams.

Third Year Parents:

Your child is now studying the new Junior cycle course in the following subjects:

1. English
2. Business Studies
3. Science

Throughout 3rd year they will be completing a **Classroom Based Assessment(CBA)** in the above subjects.

CBAs will be undertaken during a defined time period *in class time* as per a national timetable. The dates for these CBAs appear below. It is therefore very important that your child is present in class during these times.

Following their CBA they will complete an **Assessment Task** (in class time) on what they have learnt and on the skills and competences they have developed in the CBA.

Dates for CBAs and Assessment Task in 3rd Year:

Junior Cycle English Classroom-Based Assessment 2 in 2018/2019

Timeline for completion of *The Collection of Student's Texts* and Assessment Task

Latest date for student completion of <i>The Collection of the Student's Texts</i>	Friday 30th November 2018
Window for completion of the Assessment Task	Monday 3rd - Friday 7th December 2018

Junior Cycle Business Studies Classroom-Based Assessment 2 in 2018/2019

Timeline for *Presentation* and Assessment Task

Period during which students spend three weeks completing <i>Business Presentation</i>	Monday 12th November to Friday 7th December 2018
Window for completion of the Assessment Task	Monday 10th - Friday 14th December 2018

Junior Cycle Science Classroom-Based Assessment 2 in 2018/2019

Timeline for *Science in Society Investigation* and Assessment Task

Period during which students spend three weeks completing <i>Science in Society Investigation</i>	Friday 7th December 2018 to Friday 25th January 2019
Window for completion of the Assessment Task	Monday 28th January - Friday 1st February 2019

CBA's will be assessed by the class teacher and students will be awarded the following descriptors:

- Exceptional
- Above Expectations
- In Line with Expectations
- Yet to Meet Expectations

These results will appear on the Junior Cycle Profile of Achievement which your son/daughter will receive the November following their Junior Cycle Exams.

The Assessment Task will be sent to the State Examinations Commission along with their Final Exam. The Assessment Task counts for 10% of their overall grade in the subject.

Further information can be found online: jct.ie, or by contacting the school and ask to speak to our Junior Cycle Coordinator, Laura Gibbons.