



Junior Cycle 2019 – 2020



Key Dates for Classroom Based Assessment: Second Year

Term	Subject	Subject	Subject	Dates for 3-week CBAs	Subject	Subject
September – Oct Mid Term	Irish CBA 1 Music CBA 1 English CBA 2 Modern Foreign Language (MFL) CBA 2					
Oct Mid Term – Christmas		Home Ec CBA 1				
Christmas – Feb Mid Term		Visual Art CBA 1	6 th Jan – 25 th Jan	English CBA 1	Geography CBA 1	
			27 th Jan – 14 th Feb	Maths CBA 1	History CBA 1	
			24 th Feb – 13 th Mar	Science CBA 1	MFL CBA 1	
Feb Mid-Term – Easter		16 th Mar – 3 rd April	Business CBA 1			
Easter – Summer						



Junior Cycle Assessment **INFORMATION EVENING** for PARENTS/GUARDIANS of
2nd & 3rd Year Students on **MONDAY 14th OCTOBER 7:00PM**

September 2019

Dear Parent/ Guardian

As you may be aware a new Junior Cycle has been introduced in all Post-Primary schools on a phased basis since 2014. We would kindly ask that you read the following information regarding changes to Junior Cycle Assessment carefully. Important key dates for assessment are highlighted overleaf. Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the Junior Cycle Co-ordinator.

Yours sincerely

Caroline O Grady

Junior Cycle Co-ordinator

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- 11 subjects will be assessed for Second Years under new Junior Cycle arrangements this year:

1. English	7. Maths
2. Irish	8. Home Economics
3. Modern Foreign Language (MFL) – French/ Spanish	9. History
4. Science	10. Music
5. Visual Art	11. Geography
6. Business	
 - All other subjects will be assessed using traditional Junior Certificate model
 - Students studying any of the 11 subjects listed above will complete CBAs (Classroom Based Assessments)
 - More CBAs and Assessment Tasks will be completed in Third Year, as well as Final Exam. Each **Assessment Task accounts for 10%** of final result in a subject.
 - CBAs are conducted during class-time, under the guidance of the subject teacher. **Good attendance is essential to ensure your child reaches their full potential.**
 - Results for CBAs will be available to view on VSWare once the correction process is finalised.
 - In some subjects, CBAs will replace Mid-Term or Christmas Exams. This is in accordance with Department of Education & Skills guidelines.
 - Final CBA results will appear for each subject on each student's JCPA (Junior Certificate Profile of Achievement), which they will receive after they complete Junior Cycle.
 - Dates for CBA deadlines are highlighted on table overleaf.
 - Please note that CBAs in some subjects continue over a period of time eg. collection of work for portfolio. This time frame is indicated by arrows on table.
 - Other subjects have 3-week period to complete CBA. To avoid students completing too many CBAs at once, we have timetabled these CBAs commencing on 6th January 2020. These subjects and dates are shown in table overleaf.