



RE: Junior Cycle Class Based Assessments (CBA1) for current second year students (2022-23)

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Wishing you all a happy and peaceful Christmas and a wonderful New Year -

We are writing to share the schedule of pending Junior Cycle - Class Based Assessments (CBA 1) which all second year students will be involved in from the outset of the new year. These CBAs form part of the schedule of assessment in the new Junior Cycle and as such are a compulsory element of this Programme. Class Based Assessments (CBA 1) will be undertaken during a defined time period in accordance with a national timetable and will be completed within normal class contact time.

For this group of second year students CBA 1s will be undertaken in all subjects (Gaeilge will have 2 x CBAs scheduled for third year). The assessment outcome of the CBA 1 will be reported in the **Junior Cycle Profile of Achievement (JCPA)** - awarded for current second years in 2024.

In the period from January to May 2023, all second-year students will be very busy as they engage in the preparation, review and final presentation of their CBA 1. Teachers will work to support all students towards success in their subject CBAs and we appreciate that home will play a significant part in assuring that success. Parents could support their sons/daughters by ensuring they attend school during the completion and presentation period, encourage them to engage fully with the completion process, work to their best ability and meet the assigned deadlines – set by the National Council for Curriculum and Assessment (NCCA).

The tables below show the schedule for the completion and final award regarding the CBA 1 for all second year students at Scoil Dara:

CBA 1 Subject	Commencement Date	Completion Date
Religious Education	Monday 9 th January 2023	Friday 27 th January 2023
Applied Technology	Monday 9 th January 2023	Friday 27 th January 2023
History	Monday 16 th January 2023	Friday 3 rd February 2023
Science	Thursday 16 th January 2023	Friday 3 rd February 2023
Home Ec.	Thursday 5 th January 2023	Friday 10 th February 2023
SPHE	Monday 9 th January 2023	Friday 24 th February 2023
CSPE	Monday 9 th January 2023	Friday 24 th February 2023
MFL	Monday 20 th February 2023	Friday 10 th March 2023
Maths	Monday 20 th February 2023	Friday 10 th March 2023
Geography	Monday 13 th March 2023	Friday 31 st March 2023
Business Studies * (4 Weeks)	Monday 6 th March 2023	Friday 31 st March 2023
Graphics	Monday 13 th March 2023	Friday 31 st March 2023
Music	Monday 17 th April 2023	Friday 5 th May 2023
Vis Art	Monday 9 th January 2023	Friday 21 st April 2023
PE	Monday 17 th April 2023	Friday 5 th May 2023
English	Monday 1 st May 2023	Friday 19 th May 2023
Wood Tech.	Monday 1 st May 2023	Friday 19 th May 2023

We look forward to the new year and to supporting 2nd year students in optimising progress in their learning and skill development. We wish all students the very best of luck as they undertake the relevant Class Based Assessments. School attendance, positive engagement with learning opportunities and co-operation with teachers and co-learners are

fundamental to success in Junior Cycle assessment and we encourage all students to set ambitious and achievable learning targets for their schedule of CBAs.

Please do not hesitate to correspond with subject teachers, tutors and the Year Head - Ms. Tighe – with any queries you might have regarding engagement with and the completion of CBAs over the coming term.

Wishing you a very happy Christmas and New Year.

Sincere regards and thanks,

Mr. D. Mc Cormack

Principal

Ms. T. Tighe

Year Head