

General Updates

Hope everyone is well and safe

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Exam Years



- 6th Years

- Exams to start on July 29th
- Proposal for two weeks teaching to take place in July in advance of exams for 6th Years
- No updates on projects that need to be completed to date
- All 6th Years can do now is stay focused and work as best they can
- Again I have no doubt that when it comes to final assessment all 6th Years will be treated very fairly

Exam Years



- 3rd Year
 - No state Exams to take place this year
 - Exam fees have been waived
 - School will hold our own Assessments
 - Senior Cycle Options to be decided on in the next 10 days
 - Online assembly for 3rd years this week and all parents/guardians invited to attend using apps available to students
 - Dept. To make further announcement's in the coming days

Non-Exam Years



- All year groups will have a timetabled end of year exam in all subjects to be completed online from home
- Please keep encouraging your son/daughter to stay connected with their teachers online
 - 2nd Years
 - Please keep attending class and linking in with your classmates. You must stay up with work
 - 5th Years need to stay engaged as it is a Leaving Certificate Year
 - Teachers will not be able to go back over work if you have not engaged as courses will need to be finished next year. Don't fall behind
 - TY class will be assessed as last year
 - Gold Award, Silver Award and Bronze Award
 - QQI
 - Keep linking in and complete project work that needs to be done

Teaching and Learning



- Medium being used is
 - Teams and OneNote (available on students 365 accounts-apps can be downloaded and used on multiple devices)
 - Online classes now happening and appearing on students' calendar in teams (please ensure time and date are set to GMT)
- Online classes as per school timetable where feasible
- Please ask your son/daughter to show you their teams account in 365 and their use to date of Microsoft Teams and OneNote
 - Other useful Microsoft apps include One Drive and Outlook
- VSware still active and teachers logging students who are and who are not engaging with online learning

Useful Online videos re 'How to?'



Introduction

https://youtu.be/pQ-TyO_0hiE

Microsoft Teams Post

<https://youtu.be/7CPru7LoKcw>

Microsoft Files Section

<https://youtu.be/Hjpp5p1ODEM>

Microsoft Assignment Feature

<https://youtu.be/jn4KYCGEFBo>

Class Notebook

<https://youtu.be/lYc2kTl6itk>

Updated Notebook

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l_AM53gCDh0

Communicating with Teachers



- Teachers will arrange online classes through Microsoft Teams and submit work through assignments/posts in Teams
- Homework or work assigned should then be returned to teachers through OneNote only (all students have a class notebook in one note for each subject they are completing)
- We have asked teachers to stop using "schoolwise" and we are planning on working solely through Teams and Onenote in office 365

End of Year Assessments for 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 5th Years 26th, 27th, 28th and 29th of May 2020



The following criteria will apply

Subject Discretion:

This will account for 50% of the total marks

Combination of continuous assessment of work over course of year; may include agreed class assessments and student's overall contribution throughout the year. Each Dept: to inform each year group.

End of term online exam: (all subjects to be timetabled for virtual house exams)

This will account for 30% of the total marks

Components: combination of or either/or

Multiple Choice Forms exam

Questions issued through Forms and answers submitted back through one note eg. maths exam, art exam,

Online Engagement: to be awarded as

This will account for 20% of the total marks

20 excellent effort,15 very good efforts,10 good efforts,5 partial efforts,0 no engagement for various reasons, eg non-engagement

An exam timetable will issue closer to the date

Online Assemblies & Open Information Evenings



- Notifications for Year Group Assemblies will issue via email and Teams Post Space over the next 5 school days
- Parents/Guardians will be notified of these via text message and links to school website
- Career Guidance Team Putting together presentation for subject choices for 5th Year and Senior Options

TY 2020



- The number of places allocated to Transition Year is capped at 96.
- Candidates may be refused a place in TY if:
 - Application Form not received by due date
 - Poor discipline record in 3rd year
 - 140 days attendance in school in 3rd year not reached, and no medical/other reason received by school for absenteeism
 - Preparation for and performance at interview

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