



Form 3 Student/Parent Email – Timed Assessments

Dear Student, Parent and Guardian

I hope that you have enjoyed your classes over the past three weeks and have had a chance to participate in some of the fitness and extra-curricular activities in the afternoon.

Although there is uncertainty about when the Mock Exams, practicals and orals will take place, we are all still working towards a Junior Certificate Exam in June, until we hear otherwise from the Minister of Education, Norma Foley.

Afternoon Timed Assessments beginning February 8th, 2021

With this in mind, we are arranging to have timed assessments set by your subject teachers, beginning February 8th, in the afternoons from 2:30pm on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursday and Fridays, and 12:30 on Wednesdays. These timed assessments are for **practice purposes only**. They will be marked and feedback provided in order to aid you with your revision plan. As the assessments are not supervised by the school, **they will not form any part of calculated grades**, should that become an alternative to exams.

The 2:30pm time slot (12:30 on Wednesdays) gives you a chance to get some fresh air and lunch after your morning classes. Feedback so far reports that the multiple breaks are much appreciated, and make it easier to be prepared for, and focus on, each class.

Timed assessments will give you **an opportunity to practise timing of exam style questions**. We would encourage you to sit the assessments, honestly, in exam conditions and particularly within the time set by your teacher, approximately 30-40 minutes.

These timed assessments will begin on **February 8th** for one week, and continue on the week after mid-term, which will be **February 22nd**.

Assessment Timetable

	Time	Week 1 - Feb 8 th	Week 2 – Feb 22 nd
Monday -	2:30pm	Irish	Maths
Tuesday	2:30pm	History	French/Spanish/German
Wednesday	12:30pm	Block A	Block B
Thursday	2:30pm	English	Science
Friday	2:30pm	Geography	Religious Education

We do appreciate that not all students, for differing reasons, will be in a position to complete the assessments at the allotted time; so please do contact your subject teacher to make other arrangements that work with your personal circumstances and family dynamic.

A general school email is being sent to all students and parents today.

Please do continue to engage with all your teachers, as well as the performing arts and fitness activities. There is also plenty of well-being support available to you if you feel at all overwhelmed or anxious. As soon as we receive updates on the Junior Cert Examinations, we will communicate them to you directly.

Kind regards

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