



Dear Parent,

I hope and pray that you and your loved ones are safe and well at this time. The following is an update on how the school intends to proceed with our end of year assessment for 3<sup>rd</sup> Years considering the Junior Cycle exams being fully cancelled.

As per yesterday's announcement from the Minister for Education and Skills:

**'All third year Junior Cycle students to be awarded certificates for the completion of Junior Cycle by the Department of Education and Skills:'**

Instead of completing this year's Junior Cycle examinations, all third year Junior Cycle students are to be awarded certificates for the completion of Junior Cycle by the Department of Education and Skills. This cert will list the subjects taken, but not grades. As soon as is possible in the future and after the end of the current school year, students will receive a written **school report** on their learning achievements in each subject. This is not linked to any state certification and is a school-based assessment

The following is an outline of how this end of year assessment mark will be arrived at for 3<sup>rd</sup> Years:

- a. 20% for engagement for the last 4/5 weeks of this term which can in part include any end of term assignments/projects.
- b. 80% for a students' performance over the past three years. Consideration can be given to CBA's completed in 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> year and term assessments during this time as it relates to the overall student performance.

Finally, in what are enormously difficult and stressful times I want to thank you our parents for helping our students achieve to the best of their abilities over the past three years. I also want to reassure you that the staff and management of St. Flannan's College will continue to do our very best to deliver education and support to our students now and in the future.

I will continue to remember all of you in my daily prayers.

Sincerely in Christ,  
Fr. Ignatius McCormack  
Principal

**" You have made us for yourself O Lord and our hearts are restless until they rest in thee" (St Augustine of Hippo)**