

Scoil Dara

Dear Students and Parents,

Ref: Junior Cycle Profile of Achievement (JCPA): Preparation for Survey of “Other Areas of Learning”

As part of the new Junior Cycle Profile of Achievement, awarded to Junior Cycle students in Autumn 2018, our current 3rd year students are invited to record their involvement in activities and events outside the classroom and within the wider school community. These are the extra- and co- curricular activities that students give time, energy and focused engagement to outside their class-time.

The record of **Other Areas of Learning (OAL)** is now a featured part of the JCPA along with State Certified Exam Results and Classroom-Based Assessment outcomes. We intend to survey all third year students in the coming weeks on their involvement in school- based activities, events and initiatives. We encourage students to review their participation from first to third year in the range of clubs, teams and events associated with Scoil Dara and to consider the range of skills that would have been developed as a result of that involvement. For example, “I was involved in the Junior Choir and through my involvement I developed the skills of performing and presenting.”

To prepare for the Other Areas of Learning Survey, consider the following school activities and events: (put a tick beside those you were involved with)

Student Organisation: -Student Council -Student Clubs -Official Student Group -Class Representative/Captain	Sporting Groups: - Teams - Individual Sporting Activity - Sports Blitz - One Day Event/Competition - School Event/Exhibition	School Based Event: Record your role in: -Event -Campaign -Competition -Community Initiative -Survey -Project
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Consider the Key Skills associated with that participation:

-Being creative -Exploring and evaluating options	-Implementing a plan -Gathering data -Using ICT - Meeting deadlines	-Setting and achieving personal goals -managing my role -managing my time	- listening to others and sharing opinions -discussing and debating - performing and presenting
-Developing positive working relationships with others - Co-operating -Using technology to communicate with others	- Being healthy and active - Being social - Being confident - Being responsible for my role	- Developing my understanding of the skills involved -Developing my communication skills around this topic	- Addressing challenges and focusing on solutions - Gathering, interpreting and representing data

You will be surveyed in school in the coming weeks regarding the Other Areas of Learning in preparation for the completion of your Junior Certificate Profile of Achievement.