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# Leaving Certificate Applied

PARENT INFORMATION EVENING



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### Key Considerations for students and parents:

- LCA Coordinator Ms Cunningham
- ≻5<sup>th</sup> year Year Head Ms Ryan
- ≻6<sup>th</sup> year Year Head Mr. McGinn
- ≻Covid 19 Procedures
- ► Eportal and Data Protection
- Parent Teacher Meetings
- ➤Career Guidance



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#### TASKS AND CREDITS

MS. CUNNINGHAM



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Year 1-5A

**Tasks**- project worked on in class representing a significant piece of work. The student is assessed on it in an interview with an examiner

➢End of Session 1- One Task-General Education Task- anchored in Leisure and Recreation- Task Interview will take place the week commencing Feb 1<sup>st</sup>- Feb 5<sup>th</sup> 2021.



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## 5A Tasks

➢ End of Session 2- Two Tasks-Vocational Preparation and Guidanceanchored in Enterprise and Vocational Specialism anchored in Ag Hort- Task Interviews will take place the week commencing April 26<sup>th</sup>- April 30<sup>th</sup> 2021



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Year 1 5A

Exams- In May 2021 the week commencing May 10<sup>th</sup>- May 14th students will have an oral in Spanish and in June 2021 they will have a written paper in Spanish. This is their Leaving Cert Spanish Exam.

Work Experience must take place every Wednesday of Term time over  $5^{\text{th}}$  and  $6^{\text{th}}$  year



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### Year 15A

➢Key Assignments are work done in class and submitted in all subjects at the end of each session (4 sessions over the 2 years)

>Attendance- 90% in all classes



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Year 2 6A

➢ Tasks- project worked on representing a significant piece of work. The student is assessed on it in an interview with an examiner.

End of Session 3- Two tasks-Practical Achievement Task and Contemporary Issues Task- Task Interviews will take place the week commencing Feb 1<sup>st</sup>- Feb 5<sup>th</sup> 2021



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Year 2-6A

➢Key Assignments are work done in class and submitted in all subjects at the end of each session (4 sessions over the 2 years)

➢ Work Experience must take place every Wednesday of Term time over 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> year



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Year 2-6A

#### >Attendance- 90% in all classes



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## Year 2-6A - Practical exams

### Practical Performance tests in Ag Hort and HCT will take place the week commencing May 17<sup>th</sup>- May 21<sup>st</sup> 2021



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## Year 2-6A - Oral Exams

Exams- students will have an oral exam in Spanish and English the week commencing May 10<sup>th</sup>- May 14<sup>th</sup>



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# Year 2-6A-Written Exams

➢ Written exams as per the Leaving Cert Applied timetable will take place in June 2021 in the 6 core subjects: English and Communications, Maths Applications, Social Education, Ag Hort, HCT, Spanish



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5<sup>TH</sup> YEAR YEAR HEAD

MS. RYAN



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# Attendance:

>My contact Information: <u>mark.mcginn@borrisokanecc.ie</u> and <u>Louise.ryan1@borrisokanecc.ie</u>

- ≻Sign in / Sign out procedures
- > Over 18's must email Year head in advance of signing out. Please CC Secretary info@borrisokanecc.ie

**Under 18's**, a parent or guardian must email Year Head. Please CC Secretary info@borrisokanecc.ie

- ≻The same procedures apply for signing in late.
- Students are not allowed down town for lunch breaks.
- ➢ 90% attendance is required in all classes to gain credits.



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# Punctuality:

≻This is something that all students can improve on.

- > Every minute is precious considering the time already lost in 5th year due to school closures.
- > The majority of classes are **active** and **project based**.
- >Being late uses up valuable time that can be used to further develop practical **projects and tasks**.
- >Be on time, show teachers **respect** and make the most of your time within the classroom.



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# Behaviour:

➤Class Teacher

- ≻Year Head
- ➢ Deputy Principal

➢ Principal

- ➢ Board of Management
- ≻ Parents informed: ePortal, Journal, Phone, Letter and email.
- >Ladder of intervention (copy in student journal)

> High expectations of student behaviour throughout the school day.



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6<sup>TH</sup> YEAR - YEAR HEAD

MR. MCGINN



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# Uniform:

>All students are expected to wear the school uniform at all times in school and when representing the school.

#### **Uniform Details**

- ≻Blackwatch tartan skirt. Navy Uniform Trousers Fashion trousers not allowed.
- ≻Bottle green v-neck jumper with school crest.

≻White shirt.

- >Black or brown shoes or boots. If wearing runners only completely black allowed.
- School Jacket: Navy Jacket with school crest from Slatterys Pearse Street, Nenagh.
- Students are also expected to have gear suitable for games, togs, jerseys, boots, etc.
- >Note: If wearing a T-Shirt inside the uniform shirt it must be white and must have no collar.
- >If students arrive to school without the correct uniform, they will be sent home to change.



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# Wellbeing and support - for students:

➤We can all have off days and difficult periods.

>You will also enjoy many **happy memories** over the coming months in this exciting time.

School is full of **challenges**, particularly during your final year.

> The best advice we could give you is "mind yourself and mind each other"

>If you feel under pressure, please let us and we will do our best to help in any way we can.

LCA has been very positive this year and the demand for places is very high. This is down to you as students and the efforts of your teachers.

>As Year Heads our doors are always open, and we are here to support and guide you over the coming months.

As a school we run a program called the decider program. This focuses on key coping skills and positive mental health strategies. If you feel you could benefit from this support, please contact us and let us know.



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## Wellbeing and support –For parents:

≻Get good quality **sleep**. 8 to 12 hours sleep is recommended for students.

- > Leaving their phone/laptop outside the bedroom helps.
- ≻ Have a healthy **diet**. What we eat or drink can affect how we feel throughout the day.
- Fizzy drinks are **not allowed** in class. Students can have a bottle of water on their person.
- >Keep active. Exercising helps to release tension. It will also help them sleep better and focus better.
- ➢Plan out their days and manage their time.
- > Having **a routine** is really important in preparation for their final year.
- Structuring their days also help young people to feel **secure**.



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# Covid 19 Procedures:

➢New Procedures

- ➢One way system on corridors
- ≻Face Masks
- ➢Goggles for practical subjects
- Students should not attend school if symptoms
- >Family members restrict movement while family member waiting on test
- ≻Follow GP guidance



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# Targets, Tasks and Credits:

>6<sup>th</sup> year is a important year and is a capstone on students time in school.

> The majority of **learning takes place in school**, therefore this is the best place to be.

90 Percent attendance is required in order to gain credits, regardless of tasks or projects students have completed.

> This should focus students towards achieving a **minimum of 90% attendance in order to succeed**.

Set yourself realistic goals for 2021 and work hard to make them happen! Your future is in your own hands!

As Year Head, I want to see all students achieve their full potential and leave Borrisokane Community College with their Leaving Certificate qualification.

The most important message I can give to students is: <u>"Come to school, work in class and the subject teachers</u> will support you in completing tasks and getting your credits." Parents, please reinforce this message.



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### ePortal: School System to record student information

➤Timetable

Attendance

- Calendar of School Activities/Events
- Positive Comments
- ➢ Behaviour Record
- Examination Results

≻Log on details sent to parents - username and password. Log on also available for students.

➢ If log in details lost contact school and we can email them to you. Log on from school website – www.borrisokanecc.ie

≻Link to ePortal at top of www.borrisokanecc.ie - home page.



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## ePortal - Data Protection :

Students over 18 – Cannot share their Personal Data.

➢ Parents logged off ePortal

≻Reports to Student.

Form to be **completed by student** if they give consent for parents to receive their Personal Data.

Form to be **returned** to school.

>Form available on school website – Downloads section.



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# Parent / Teacher meetings:

≻Cannot hold Parent Teacher Meetings at the moment.

≻ EPortal is main communication method.

➢ If you need to speak to an individual teacher please contact the teacher or school office – 067 27268 or email info@borrisokanecc.ie or email the teacher.

Contact Year Head, Principal and Deputy Principal.

≻All staff contact email addresses are available on school website.



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