

**GUIDELINES FOR ASSESSMENT AND REPORTING ON STUDENTS' LEARNING IN
MARIA IMMACUALTA COMMUNITY COLLEGE, DUNMANWAY
MAY 2020**



Students in Irish schools have experienced a very disrupted period of learning in 2019/20 because of the unprecedented nature of the Covid-19 crisis. In MICC we have continued with learning and teaching through our online platforms. This has not been easy for anyone but we do appreciate the patience and understanding being shown during this time.

As a result of the crisis we have had to re-shape our end of year assessments for this summer across all of our year groups. A number of factors have fed into this:

- Students and teachers access to online platforms
- The wellbeing of all of our students and their families.
- The wellbeing of our highly dedicated and committed staff and their families.
- The fact that our school will be operational throughout the summer in a way that it never has before.

These along with other considerations has played a part in the decisions we have made with regards to assessing our students learning. These are outlined below for each year group. A separate document has been issued that pertains to 3rd Year students.

1st, 2nd, 4th, 5th Year students

Students in the years 1,2, 4 and 5 will receive a **comment only** report through VSWare this summer. This report **will not** include a percentage grade. The comment will be framed by previous work/projects/practical work etc the student had engaged in across the full school year. The comment will be based on the teacher's professional knowledge of each student's learning.

We appreciate that this is a change to the normal practice of assigning a percentage grade but in light of the exceptional circumstances we find ourselves in, we feel that it is in the best interests of students, their families and teachers.

1st May 2020