



St. Augustine's College 2020

"The measure of intelligence is the ability to change" -*Albert Einstein*

End of year assessments

05/05/2020

Dear Parent/ Guardian / Student

St Augustine's College will issue an assessment report based on the ongoing work and assessments undertaken by the student throughout this school year.

Many students show greatest improvement during the last term of the year when they are most focused, therefore it is important to allow student who wish to submit work the chance to do so. With this in mind students will be asked to complete assessment work in May which may range from project work to online examination depending on the subject.

Subject Assessment & Reporting for Students:

- From present up until Friday, 29th May, students will be asked to complete 2-3 subject-specific assignments.
- Subject departments will use a selection of assessment modes, appropriate to the learning in their subjects.
- This may include ongoing assessment results from September to present.

We feel that, by giving our students the opportunity to submit work and engage in assessment before Friday, May 29th 2020, both parents and students will get a broader picture of a student's progress and achievement in our school over the course of their year. Most importantly, the focus on teacher-student feedback and professional collaboration between teachers will enrich both the quality of students' learning and teachers' assessment of that learning. **Some students may be unable to undertake any additional assessment tasks because of issues arising from the Covid-19 crisis. In such circumstances, the assessment of the students' learning will be based solely on work completed prior to 12th March 2020.**

Our students come from a wide range of backgrounds and have a wide range of individual interests and needs. Subject specifications developed by the NCCA, in use in St. Augustine's College, have been designed to be as universal as is feasible, providing meaningful and valuable learning opportunities for all students. This includes ensuring that the learning opportunities are as accessible as possible to students with additional educational needs.

Therefore, it is fitting that our assessment mechanisms be as universal as is feasible. Subject Departments in St. Augustine's College will design assessments that are as universal and as accessible as possible.

Your faithfully
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