As a busy first term nears its end, we would like to thank all the schools who contacted us looking for our support in L1LPs and L2LPs. Our email and support button has been kept as busy as Santa's postman! So, if you have applied for support, but are awaiting a reply, we will contact you in the new term.



We hope you all have a peaceful, relaxing, safe Christmas and New Year, and much needed time-out over the Christmas break. The <u>circular 0059/2021</u> detailing arrangements for the implementation of the Framework for Junior Cycle was published on the 29<sup>th</sup> of November.

It explains which students the L1LPs and L2LPs are designed for, and how the L1LPs consist of 6 PLUs and 2 Level 1 short courses and the L2LPs consist of 5 PLUs and 2 Level 2 short courses.

It also details assessment arrangements for L1LPs and L2LPs.

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DSI are asking schools to host a Fundraiser for DSI this year as one of their end-of-year celebrations. Set up a **Go For Gold Sports Day** or *Go For Gold Hero Day*, using the Down Syndrome Ireland branded materials they provide to decorate the school, and award a 'medal' sticker to everyone involved. L1LPs & L2LPs



The JCT Home Economics team have updated the *L2LPs in the Home Economics Classroom* section of their <u>website</u>. They also have a new support that they plan to include their upcoming CPD.





The JCT Visual Arts elves have also been busy updating their L2LPs section of their <u>website!</u>

They have a wonderful screencast on Planning to support students who follow L2LP and Level 3 in the Visual Art. They have an accompanying case study and a document linking the L2LPs learning outcomes to the Visual Arts learning outcomes. JAM Card allows people with a hidden disability or communication barrier to tell others that they need extra time and understanding in a private and easy way You can find out more about JAM card <u>here</u> and a free app can be downloaded from the app store. The JAM card is recognised in many Irish shops, and by Irish service providers.





Information on State Certificates of Completion for students who completed Junior Cycle in June 2021 is expected to be issued by the Department of Education next term.



Our team will contact Special Schools via email in early January to arrange CPD for the 2022 year. Please ensure your schools email address and contact details are up to date on <u>JCT</u> <u>Registration</u> so we can contact you. If you have issues or questions around <u>JCT Registration</u> please phone Monaghan Education Centre on 047 74008.

Our colleagues in the NCSE are still offering <u>CPD</u> to Post-primary schools. Schools may apply directly to the NCSE to request to attend CPD or to request in-school support for whole school, group of staff, and individual teachers.

Our colleagues in the PDST are facilitating their Post-primary workshops on a variety of topics. You can register for these events <u>here.</u>



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