

Wood Technology

JCt4 Newsletter



Junior Cycle for Teachers

Junior Cycle for Teachers exists to **inspire**, **support** and **empower** teachers in the transformation of Junior Cycle education in Ireland.

STE(A)M



The Jct4 technologies team are delighted to have become involved in the JCT STE(A)M initiative. We look forward to attending some of the Spring 2019 events that are taking place across the country with various partner organisations.

The workshops will have the broad theme of looking towards "Ireland 2050".

WORKSHOPS



Elective CPD: January - April 2019

Register on
www.jctregistration.ie

Every school is provided with a password for registration.

Contact: steam@jct.ie

Welcome

Welcome to our first JCT Wood Technology newsletter. We are a team of fulltime Advisors dedicated to supporting junior cycle Wood Technology teachers with the implementation of the new [Wood Technology specification](#). The subject specific cluster model of CPD for teachers of Wood Technology began on November 12th, 2018. To date we have engaged with approximately 750 teachers through the subject cluster days. The subject clusters will run up until mid-April.



Webinar

Engaging with the Wood Technology specification

Our first webinar is due to take place at 7:15pm on April 1st 2019. This webinar will build on the experience during the cluster PLE and will support and further develop your understanding of planning using learning outcomes.

The webinar will focus on planning a unit of learning for incoming first years in term one of 2019/20. Register [here](#)

Subject Information Leaflet

A Wood Technology [information leaflet](#) is available on www.jct.ie and gives an overview of the course and is a useful resource to hand out on parent information evenings and open nights

Techno Teachers annual conference

We were delighted to attend the Techno Teachers annual conference in Clane last October. Our stand was busy throughout the weekend with inquiries from attendees about the new Wood Technology specification.

Professional time

Circular letter 0079/2018 details the professional time (up to 22 hours) available to teachers of junior cycle. This is time allocated to teachers specifically to support the implementation of their subject in the junior cycle framework. A document outlining suggested ways in which professional time could be used by Wood Technology teachers can be found in the Wood Technology section of www.jct.ie

Keep up to date with the Wood Technology Team:

Visit the [Wood Technology](http://www.jct.ie) section of www.jct.ie where you have access to all our resources and material used on PLE day 1. Additional resources are in development and will be uploaded here in due course.

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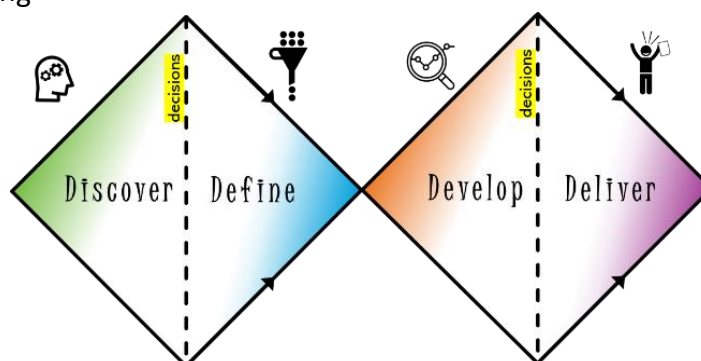
Student Learning Journey

September 2019 will see the first students engaging with the Wood Technology specification in our schools. Their learning journey is mapped out on the graphic below. The JCT Wood Technology team will continue supporting teachers throughout this journey through the provision of PLE workshops, webinars, online resources and electives.



Wood Technology digital planning tool

A [digital planning tool](#) is available to download in the resources section of the Wood Technology webpage. This provides teachers with the option of digitally storing and editing their unit of learning plans. An instructional video to assist teachers in using the digital planner can be viewed [here](#). We have developed a workbook to assist teachers in 'Exploring Learning Outcomes' which can be accessed and downloaded from [here](#) as well. The document is designed to serve as a guide for teachers during the process of exploring or unpacking learning outcomes for creating units of learning



Kind regards
The Wood Technology Team

