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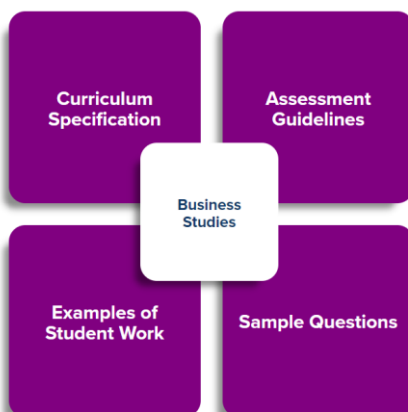
Dear Teacher of Business Studies,

Welcome to the latest edition of our newsletter for teachers of Business Studies. In this edition we have detailed some important updates on NCCA Examples of Student Work and Sample Questions. We wish all teachers of 2nd Year Business Studies every success as they embark on the CBA1 journey with their students for the first time in March.

Webinar: Preparing for CBA1 Business in Action and the SLAR Meeting



Due to popular demand we will be re-running our webinar 'Preparing for CBA1 Business in Action and the SLAR Meeting'. The webinar will take place on Wednesday 28th February from 7pm to 8pm. Participants are welcome to post questions for the webinar team to answer during the session. To register for the webinar click on [this link](#). To ensure that you receive notification of future webinars please ensure that you register for our Business Studies [mailing list](#).



Examples of Student Work: Curriculum Online

Our colleagues in the NCCA have worked in collaboration with teachers across the country in generating samples of work to support teachers in working with the Learning Outcomes in the new Business Studies Specification. This now includes some sample work developed to support planning for CBA1. These are now available on www.curriculumonline.ie and can be accessed via the purple matrix on the Business Studies home page. You may find it useful to explore and discuss these samples of work collaboratively as a department as part of your professional time.

Use of Professional Time: Business Studies

We have produced a [document detailing suggested use of professional time](#) for Business Studies Teachers. This is available on the planning section of our website. [Circular letter 15/17](#) details the professional time available to teachers of Junior Cycle for 2017/2018 and 2018/2019.

Information Leaflet for Parents

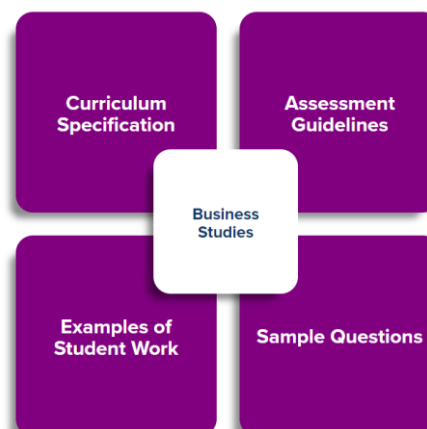
The team has produced an information leaflet for parents which you may find useful for parent information evenings or parent-teacher meetings. The leaflet gives a concise overview of the changes to Junior Cycle Business Studies and broadly outlines the new approaches to assessment. You can download the leaflet from the [Key Documents section](#) of the Business Studies website.

JCSP Business Studies Draft Statements

The draft Business Studies Statements for use with the new Specification for Business Studies have been produced and are available for JCSP schools. These are available in the [planning section](#) of our Business Studies website. These draft statements have been developed with input from a number of practicing Business Studies teachers in JCSP schools. They are offered as one possible model that teachers may use to approach the new Junior Cycle Business Studies specification. They will be adjusted over time based on feedback from teachers in JCSP schools.

Business Studies Sample Questions

Our colleagues in the NCCA have developed a set of sample questions which offer a broad indication of types and formats of assessment items that might be used to assess the learning outcomes in the Junior Cycle Business Studies specification at a common level. The items included should be read as examples of individual pieces of assessment material; they do not constitute full or partial examination papers. They are not full or partial questions from an examination paper, neither do they attempt to replicate how the examination paper might be laid out but you may find them useful to support the development of assessment material.



Should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact any member of the team or email info@ncca.ie

Kind Regards

The Business Studies Team