

Graphics

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An tSraith Shóisearach do Mhúinteoirí



Junior Cycle for Teachers (JCT) exists to inspire, support and empower teachers in the transformation of junior cycle education in Ireland.

Subject information leaflet

A Graphics information leaflet is available on www.jct.ie and gives a summary overview of the Graphics specification.

Graphics supports

The Professional Development Service for Teachers (PDST) have some professional learning experiences (PLEs) in the area of 3D Computer-Aided Design using SolidWorks which may be of interest to teachers of Graphics. These can be booked by clicking https://example.com/heres/by/backgraphics/.

Professional time

Circular <u>0079/2018</u> details the professional



time available to teachers of junior cycle. This time is allocated to teachers to support the implementation of their

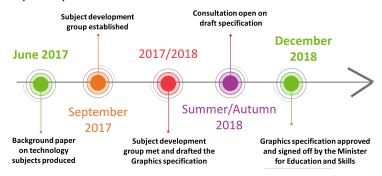
subject in the junior cycle framework. Advice on the use of professional time by teachers of Graphics is available <u>here</u>.

Keep in touch

To keep in contact with the Graphics team and to receive updates and support information use the links across the bottom of this page.

Graphics specification

Following a thorough design and consultation process the Junior Cycle Graphics specification is now available online at www.curriculumonline.ie. The timeline for the realisation of the Graphics specification is outlined below.



Exciting opportunities exist within the specification to bring to life in the classroom, activities which engage students in creative abstract problem solving using graphics. The existing Technical Graphics syllabus will be replaced by the Graphics specification, commencing with incoming first year students from September 2019 onwards.



The annual <u>Doodle for Google</u> contest has prizes available for primary and post primary school students. The theme for 2019 is

"When I grow up, I hope …". This competition offers students the opportunity to possibly engage with learning outcome $\underline{2.5}$ in the $\underline{\text{Design thinking}}$ element and learning outcomes $\underline{3.8~\&~3.9}$ in the $\underline{\text{Communicating}}$ element of the Graphics specification. Closing date is March 18^{th} 2019 .

Professional Learning Experience (PLE)

The JCt4 Graphics team are designing a PLE day for teachers of Graphics which will be facilitated nationwide in April and May. This day will focus on how the specification can come to life in the Graphics classroom. We look forward to meeting all Graphics teachers at the PLE.

Kind regards,

JCt4 Graphics Team