



**Clonturk**  
Community College

**1st Year  
JC Subject Topic List**

# ENGLISH

## SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER MIDTERM BREAK

Introduction to English

Variety of Functional Writing –  
Letters, Diaries, Emails

PQE – Writing Practice

Introduction to poetry –  
poetic techniques, poems

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## NOVEMBER - CHRISTMAS BREAK

Introduction to Fiction

Studying Fiction

Studied Novel

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# ENGLISH

## JANUARY - EASTER BREAK

Poetry Continued

Variety of Functional Writing –  
Speech, Debates

PQE – Writing Practice

News & Media Studies

Writing News Articles

Images, Social Media, Advertising

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## EASTER BREAK - SUMMER BREAK

Introduction to Film Studies

Study of Short Films –

PQE – Writing Practice

Revision ahead of  
Summer Assessments

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# MATHS

SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER

**MIDTERM BREAK**

Sets

Numbers

Natural Numbers

Integers

Rational Numbers

Decimals & Percentages

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NOVEMBER - CHRISTMAS

**BREAK**

Probability & Statistics

\*Topics covered subject to change

# MATHS

## JANUARY - EASTER BREAK

Statistics

Algebra 1

Algebra 2

Linear & Patterns & Sequences

Geometry

\*Topics covered subject to change

## EASTER BREAK - SUMMER BREAK

Getting to the Point

Applied Measure

Triangle

Revision on 1st Year Topics

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# IRISH

## SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER MIDTERM BREAK

Foghraíocht agus Litriú

Cur síos ar dhuine

Yu Ming is ainm dom

## NOVEMBER - CHRISTMAS BREAK

Cur síos ar theaghlach

Teilifís le Gabriel Rosenstock

Mo scoil

# IRISH

## JANUARY - EASTER BREAK

Mo theach

Clare sa Spéir

Éire agus Logainmneacha

## EASTER BREAK - SUMMER BREAK

An Ghaeltacht

Mo Cheantar

Dán : An Blascaoid Mór Anois le  
Áine Máire Nic Gearailt

# SPANISH

## SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER

### MIDTERM BREAK

Name/Where you Live/How you Are/Greeting  
Personal Pronouns  
Estar  
Questions, Negation, and Punctuation (accents)  
Nouns and Un/Una  
Alphabet  
School Materials  
How to do a Reading/  
Listening Comprehension  
0-20 Numbers/Sums/Age/Telephone  
Hay/Tener  
Llamarse  
Animals  
Plural Nouns

## NOVEMBER - CHRISTMAS

### BREAK

Describing Yourself, Ser, Adjectivos,  
Describing Others  
Family, Describing Them,  
How to Write an Email  
Gendered Adjectives  
Articulo Definido  
Numbers 21-59

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# SPANISH

## JANUARY - EASTER BREAK

How to say the Date, and  
Your birthday (Date, Day, Month)  
Describe Location  
Describe Colour  
Ser and Estar  
Prepositions  
Position of Adjectives  
Compass Points  
Estar Expressions  
Fruit and Veg  
Spanish Festivals  
Talk about Your Best Friend  
Things you Like and Don't Like and  
What Others Like and Dislike  
Hobbies  
Regular AR verbs  
Possessive 'de' and Possessive Adjectives  
60-100  
Spanish Football/Singers

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## EASTER BREAK - SUMMER BREAK

How to Talk About Where You Live  
How to Talk About Your Area  
Describe your House  
Describe Chores  
ER and IR Regulars  
Irregular First Person Verbs  
Saber and Conocer  
Rooms in House and Things in Area  
  
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# CSPE

## SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER MIDTERM BREAK

CSPE & Active Citizenship  
What Are Human Rights?  
The Universal Declaration  
of Human Rights  
Needs & Wants  
Disability & Disability Rights  
Homelessness  
Education

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## NOVEMBER - CHRISTMAS BREAK

Human Rights Instruments  
Prejudice & Discrimination  
Stereotyping  
Equal Rights  
The Rights of Older People

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# CSPE

## JANUARY - EASTER BREAK

The Rights of Asylum Seekers,  
Displaced People and Refugees

The Rights of Travellers

LGBTQIA+

The UN Convention on the  
Rights of the Child

Child Labour

Bullying - A Denial of Human Rights

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## EASTER BREAK - SUMMER BREAK

Human Rights Activists - Past  
Human Rights Activists - Present  
Human Rights Organisations  
Responsibility in Action

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# PE

## SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER MIDTERM BREAK

Tag Rugby  
Ultimate Frisbee

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## NOVEMBER - CHRISTMAS BREAK

Basketball  
Health Related Activities

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# PE

## JANUARY - EASTER BREAK

Olympic Handball  
Soccer

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## EASTER BREAK - SUMMER BREAK

Athletics

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# SPHE

## SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER

### **MIDTERM BREAK**

#### **How I See Myself & Others**

Development  
Group Work and  
Communication Skills  
Responsibilities as  
Members of the School Community  
Characteristics of Bullying Behaviour  
School Policy on Bullying  
Reporting Bullying Behaviour  
Types/Consequences of Loss

#### **Self-Management**

Homeowork/Timetables for School  
Importance of Teamwork  
What Does it Mean to be Healthy?

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## NOVEMBER - CHRISTMAS

### **BREAK**

#### **Communcation Skills**

Listening Skills  
Self-Expression  
Different Types of Communcation  
Appropriate Types of Communication  
Skills for Conflict Resolution

#### **Physical Health**

Importance of Personal Hygiene  
Balanaced Diets  
Physical Exercise, Rest & Sleep  
Exercise Plans

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# SPHE

## JANUARY - EASTER BREAK

### **Friendships**

Nature of Friendships  
Characteristics of a Good Friend

### **Emotional Health**

Common Emotions  
Exploring Your Own  
Personal Emotions  
Appropriate Ways of  
Expressing Emotion

### **Influences and Decisions**

Influences - How & Why  
Respect for Individuality & Uniqueness

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## EASTER BREAK - SUMMER BREAK

### **Substance Use & Personal Safety**

Medicines & Drugs in Human Life  
Misuses of Medicines & Drugs  
Implications of Alcohol Use  
Tobacco Use  
Appropriate Responses to Threat on Personal  
Safety  
Fire Evacuation Procedures  
Hazards in Travelling to and from School

### **Relationships & Sexuality**

Physical, Emotional & Psychological Changes  
Related to Adolescence  
Puberty  
Male & Female Reproductive Systems  
Sexuality

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# DIGITAL MEDIA LITERACY

## 1ST YEAR

Analysing the Internet

Downloading Content

Respectful and Responsible Use

Personal Safety Concerns

Digital Citizenship

Responding to Harmful Situations

What is Digital Content?

Publishing

Searching and Evaluating

Evaluating Research

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# ETHICAL EDUCATION

**1ST YEAR**

**September to October**

Strand 1: Values

**November - January**

Strand 2: Moral & Ethical Decision-Making

**February - May**

Strand 3: World Beliefs

\*Topics covered subject to change

# SCIENCE

## SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER MIDTERM BREAK

Lap Safety, Equipment & Rules  
The Nature of Science  
Living Things and Cells  
The Particle Theory  
Making Accurate Measurements  
The Big Bang -  
How Our Universe Began  
Energy

\*Topics covered subject to change

## NOVEMBER - CHRISTMAS BREAK

The Digestive System  
Energy  
Energy Consumptions and Types  
Circulatory System  
Respiratory System  
  
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# SCIENCE

## JANUARY - EASTER BREAK

Respiratory System

Respiration

Photosynthesis

Cycling of Matter

Physical and Chemical Changes

Separating Mixtures

Solutions and Solubility

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## EASTER BREAK - SUMMER BREAK

Galaxies, Stars and the Solar System

Comets, Meteors, and Asteroids

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# HISTORY

## SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER MIDTERM BREAK

Working with Evidence -  
Historian/Archaeologist

How An Ancient Civilisation  
Influenced Our World - Ancient Rome

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## NOVEMBER - CHRISTMAS BREAK

How Christianity Influenced  
Irish Culture and Society

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# HISTORY

## JANUARY - EASTER BREAK

Life and Death in Medieval Times  
The Impact of the Renaissance  
on Arts and Science

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## EASTER BREAK - SUMMER BREAK

The Impact of Portuguese  
and Spanish Exploration

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# GEOGRAPHY

## SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER MIDTERM BREAK

The Earth's Structure  
Plates and the Continental Drift  
Case Study: Iceland  
Fold Mountains  
Volcanic Activity & Models  
Case Study: Mount St. Helens  
Earthquakes & Tsunamis

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## NOVEMBER - CHRISTMAS BREAK

What are Rocks?  
Igneous Rocks  
Sedimentary Rocks  
Metamorphic Rocks  
Resources from Earth

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# GEOGRAPHY

## JANUARY - EASTER BREAK

Case Study: Quarrying

Case Study: Natural Gas Production  
in Ireland

An Introduction to Denudation

Mechanical Weathering

Chemical Weathering

Case Study: The Burren

Mass Movement

Case Study: Lahar,  
the Volcano of Nevado del Ruiz

## EASTER BREAK - SUMMER BREAK

OS Maps

Aerial Photographs

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# ART

## 1ST YEAR

### **1st Year – Foundations in Art & Design**

Skills: Basics of Art Elements and Design Principles  
(Line, Colour, Texture, Form)

Projects: Observational Drawing, Painting, Mixed Media, 3D Work

Visual Studies: Introduction to Key Artists, Movements,  
and the Role of Art in Society

\*Topics covered subject to change



# BUSINESS STUDIES

SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER  
**MIDTERM BREAK**

Entrepreneur  
Types of Enterprise  
Income

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NOVEMBER - CHRISTMAS  
**BREAK**

Expenditure  
Household Budgets  
Insurance

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# BUSINESS STUDIES

## JANUARY - EASTER BREAK

Employment  
Personal Taxes  
Financial Life Cycle  
The Consumer

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## EASTER BREAK - SUMMER BREAK

Globalisation  
Savings  
Borrowing

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# HOME ECONOMICS

SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER

**MIDTERM BREAK**

Health and Wellbeing  
Preparing to Cook  
Food Safety and Hygiene  
Home Baking  
Balanced Eating  
Textile Choices  
Sewing Skills

NOVEMBER - CHRISTMAS

**BREAK**

Food Choices & Sustainability  
Food Storage  
Food Spoilage  
Waste Management  
Practical Cookery Classes  
Practical Sewing Classes

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# HOME ECONOMICS

## JANUARY - EASTER BREAK

Macronutrients –Proteins, Fats &  
Carbohydrates

Diets across the lifecycle

The Competent Consumer

Practical Cookery Classes

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## EASTER BREAK - SUMMER BREAK

Meal Planning

Special Diets

Vegetarian Diets

Food Commodities

Practical Cookery Classes

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# MUSIC

SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER

**MIDTERM BREAK**

## **Rhythm in Music**

Rhythm & Pulse  
Time Signatures  
Graphic Scores

## **Melody in Music**

Pitch and Solfa  
Binary & Ternary Forms

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NOVEMBER - CHRISTMAS

**BREAK**

## **Notation in Music**

Notes of the Treble Clef  
Expressive Elements of Music  
Articulation in Music

## **Performing Music**

Playing the Ukulele

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# MUSIC

## JANUARY - EASTER BREAK

### **Music Timeline**

Instruments of the Orchestra

Eras in Music

Irish Traditional Music

### **Everyday Music**

Found Sounds

TV & Film Music

Music in Advertising

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## EASTER BREAK - SUMMER BREAK

### **Harmony in Music**

Notes of the Bass Clef

Key Signatures & Major Scales

Harmony: Chords & Triads

### **Music Technology**

Creating Music with Technology

Notating Music with Technology

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# CLASSICAL STUDIES

SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER

**MIDTERM BREAK**

Introduction to Mythology.

Creation Myths

Foundation Myths.

Mythology Covering

Themes of Punishment, Love and  
Transformation.

The Underworld in Ancient Text  
Myth Creation.

NOVEMBER - CHRISTMAS

**BREAK**

Heroes of Mythology

Mythology Context and the Audience

Mythology in Modern Media

Saturnalia

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# CLASSICAL STUDIES

## JANUARY - EASTER BREAK

Heroes on Trial  
Mythical Women  
Mythical Discrepancies  
Myth Today  
Classical Phrasing  
Essay Writing – Women and Myth  
Introduction to Ancient Greece and Rome  
Key Events.  
Fringe Figures: Cincinnatus and Lucretia  
Ancient Society  
Ancient Housing  
Childhood in the Ancient World.  
Education in the Ancient World.  
Modern Comparisons

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## EASTER BREAK - SUMMER BREAK

Introduction to Public Buildings  
Greek/Roman Public Buildings  
The Forum  
Ancient Baths  
Ancient Entertainment  
Food and Drink in the Ancient World  
Banquet recreation

\*Topics covered subject to change



# WOOD TECHNOLOGY

## SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER MIDTERM BREAK

Introduction to Wood Technology  
Health & Safety  
Practice Plane/Brief  
What is Wood?  
Trees  
Timber  
Environment & Sustainability

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## NOVEMBER - CHRISTMAS BREAK

Train Project  
Timber Seasoning  
Timber Conversion

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# WOOD TECHNOLOGY

## JANUARY - EASTER BREAK

Train Project Continued  
(Construct Main Body, Assembly,  
Finishing & Pyrography)  
Manufactured Boards  
Disease & Defects

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## EASTER BREAK - SUMMER BREAK

Properties of Materials  
Adhesives & Finishes  
Boat Project

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# TECHNICAL GRAPHICS

## SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER MIDTERM BREAK

Introduction to Technical Graphics  
Equipment and Their Use  
Basic Constructions  
Angles

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## NOVEMBER - CHRISTMAS BREAK

Circles  
Triangles  
Quadrilaterals  
Freehand Sketching

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# TECHNICAL GRAPHICS

## JANUARY - EASTER BREAK

Projection 1  
Introduction to Sketching  
Pictorial Drawing - Oblique,  
Isometric and Axonometric  
Circles  
Tangents to Circles

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## EASTER BREAK - SUMMER BREAK

Tangents to Circles  
Pictorial Drawing  
Sketching  
Revision on 1st Year Topics

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# TECHNOLOGY

## SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER MIDTERM BREAK

Sketching Isometric & Oblique  
Orthographic Projection  
Wood Identification  
Metals - Ferrous/Non-Ferrous  
Plastics - Thermoplastics  
& Thermosetting  
Ceramics & Smart Materials

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## NOVEMBER - CHRISTMAS BREAK

Hazards & Risks in the Room  
Safe Use/Storage/Transport of Tools  
Risk Assessment  
Hand Tools Used  
Suitable Materials for Each Tool  
Safety Precautions and  
Correct Use of Tools

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# TECHNOLOGY

## JANUARY - EASTER BREAK

Structures and Forces  
Mechanisms 1  
Electronic Component 1

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## EASTER BREAK - SUMMER BREAK

Revision on 1st Year Topics

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