

An Roinn Oideachais agus Scileanna
Department of Education and Skills

Follow-Through Inspection

REPORT

Ainm na scoile/ School name	Loreto Secondary School
Seoladh na scoile/ School address	Balbriggan County Dublin
Uimhir rolla / Roll number	60010P

Date of Evaluation: 07-03-2017



FOLLOW-THROUGH INSPECTION

ORIGINAL INSPECTION DETAILS	FOLLOW THROUGH INSPECTION DETAILS
<p>Type: Subject Inspection of Art</p> <p>Date of Inspection: 11 December 2015</p> <p>Report Published: Yes</p>	<p>Date of Inspection: 7 March 2017</p>
Follow-through inspection activities	
<p>The following activities took place in the course of the follow-through inspection</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with principal and senior management team • Interview with subject co-ordinator • Interview with relevant teachers • Review of school documentation and students' work • Interaction with students 	
Recommendation in original inspection report	Progress achieved to date on implementation of recommendation
<p>To facilitate students to take better ownership of their learning, the art department should develop strategies to engage learners in using the formative feedback provided on both theory and practical work.</p>	<p>Very good progress</p> <p>It was evident that a very comprehensive review of existing procedures and research into developing new strategies to engage all learners in using formative feedback was completed. The effective manner in which the art teachers reflected on their pedagogy has been key in bringing about the observed improvements. Highly effective written feedback was noted in the samples of student work reviewed during the evaluation. Students used this feedback to complete self-evaluations at the end of project work and to track their own progress. A department-led initiative has also been developed to support students to record actions that they are to complete in order to improve their work after receiving oral feedback. This initiative will further benefit assessment practice within the department.</p>
<p>The role of subject department co-ordinator should be rotated, to develop capacity amongst all members of the department.</p>	<p>Very good progress</p> <p>This recommendation has been fully implemented. Clear procedures for the appointment and role of the subject co-ordinator have been agreed following consultation with the art department. The roles and responsibilities of subject co-ordinator have been documented in the subject policy. Very good procedures are in place to support transitions when the position is rotated. A system is in place whereby the previous coordinator work-shadows the newly assigned coordinator for a period of time, to provide for effective continuity.</p>
Summary of findings	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The art department works very well collaboratively and has made very good progress on both of the recommendations. 	
Recommendations	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No further recommendations arise in relation to the recommendations made in the original report. 	

The board of management was given an opportunity to comment in writing on the findings and recommendations of the report; a response was not received from the board.