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To: The Principals of Post-primary Schools and Directors of Further and Higher Education

For circulation to: Head of Modern Languages; all teachers of GCSE Gaelge

GCSE Gaelge

Change to online marking for Summer 2023 and onwards

Please note that **all** written examinations in Gaelge at GCSE Level will be moving to online marking in Summer 2023. The changes in format that this will entail for each component are detailed below.

GCSE Gaelge G9574 Reading: Candidates will continue to answer on the question paper. The change to online marking will not affect the structure and format of the question paper.

GCSE Gaelge G9575 Extended Writing: Candidates previously wrote their answers in a separate answer booklet. Candidates will now be required to provide their responses on the question paper. A template showing the question paper format is available on the GCSE Gaelge website. The link to the question paper is: <https://ccea.org.uk/key-stage-4/gcse/subjects/gcse-gaelge-2017/support>

The rubric for Question 1 **G9575 Extended Writing** has been simplified to aid candidates. The instructions for each essay choice in Question 1 will now appear only ONCE for each choice rather than also appearing as a summary before the choices.

As both components **G9574 Reading** and **G9575 Extended Writing** will be marked online, each page will have a boxed area that contains the response space. Candidates must not write outside the boxed area on each page as this will not be copied across when scanned for online marking.

Candidates must also use a black pen only and must not write with a gel pen. Furthermore, there may be blank pages and candidates must not write anything on these pages, as again, they will not be scanned.

Please ensure candidates are aware of the above.

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