

Chapter 9 Scheme of Work

A scheme of work is a teaching/learning plan for a particular year level. It is best developed by the Subject Chairperson in collaboration with the subject teachers. This makes it easier for teachers to implement the scheme in their classrooms because they will be aware of the intentions which underline it and of the discussion which has taken place during its preparation.

A scheme of work for the year level could include the following items:

- Dimension Learning Targets
- Learning objectives
- Learning Modules/Units
- Notes on teaching/learning
- Time allocation
- Use of resources for teaching/learning
- Tasks/exercises
- Assessment scheme

A scheme of work properly drawn up should not only ensure the smooth transition of the teaching and learning between successive years, it is also essential that the scheme of work be geared to the entry knowledge and actual attainment level of the pupils. It should be appraised and revised regularly in the light of the experience of the teachers who have been using it in their classrooms.

Suggested modules and units for each school term in Key Stage 2 and examples of scheme of work can be found in Appendices E and F respectively.