

# NATURAL SCIENCES

## CAPS Section 4

Senior Phase  
(Grades 7 – 9)



# Description of the forms of assessment

Each of these forms of assessment is described for clarity:

- Projects
- Practical tasks
- Tests and examinations
- Investigation activities



# Cognitive levels for assessment

- Revised Bloom's Taxonomy has been used instead of the older version;
- The revised Bloom's Taxonomy has 6 levels but are grouped into the same *Low Order*, *Middle Order*, and *High Order*



# Framework for each examinations

The following are provided:

- a framework for each examination in each grade;
- weighting of marks calculated per topic;
- distribution of marks according to cognitive levels;



# Programme of formal assessment

The following have been provided:

- *Summary* table of the programme of assessment
- Table of programme of assessment per grade with:
  - Form of Assessment
  - Tools of Assessment
  - Minimum Marks
  - Maximum Time Allocation
  - Content and skills focus
  - No. of Tasks

# Recording and calculation

- Recording and calculation of marks for reporting in each term;
- A practical exercise on a spreadsheet will be useful for this section;



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