



## “Education: Empowerment through literacy”

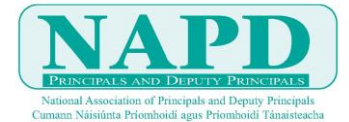
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# What We Do...



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*Ensuring value for money with effective teaching and learning.*





A photograph of a classroom with students sitting at desks. In the foreground, a young woman with blonde hair and a young man with dark hair are both looking down at their papers, holding pencils. They are wearing striped sweaters. In the background, another student is visible, resting their head on their hand. A green chalkboard is in the background.

# Using Technology to Support Literacy

CDETB PROFILER

## CDETB Profiler Assessment

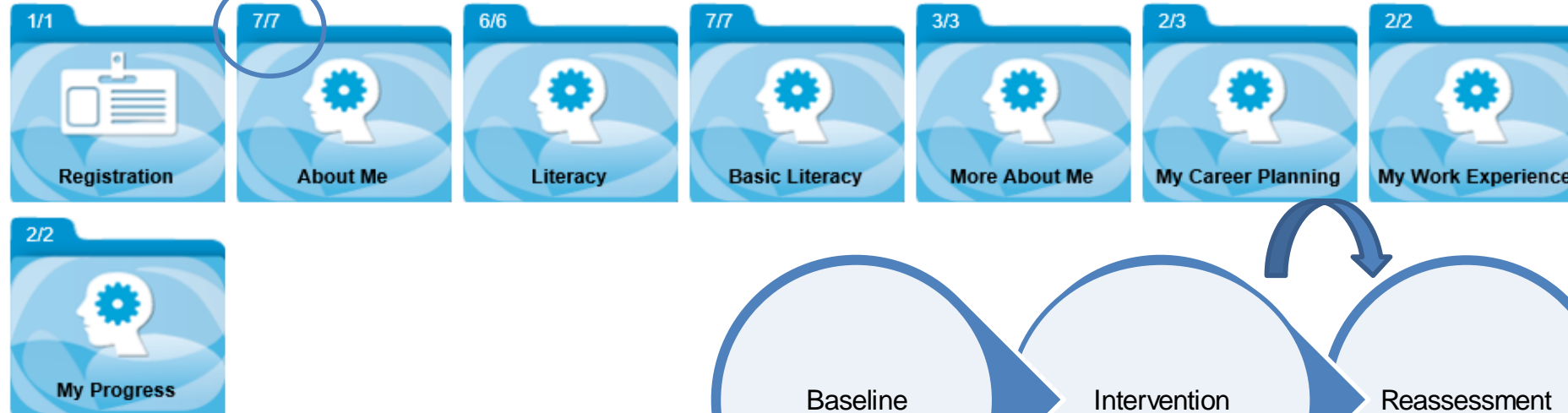
- Online assessment taken by all learners in every Youthreach Centre:
  - Hard Skills & Competencies
    - Literacy,
    - Numeracy (and associated sub-assessments)
  - Soft Skills
    - How I Do Things
    - Stress Profiler,
    - How Do I Feel
    - Study Skills

# Do-IT>

Profiler



Number of Assessments / Assessments Completed

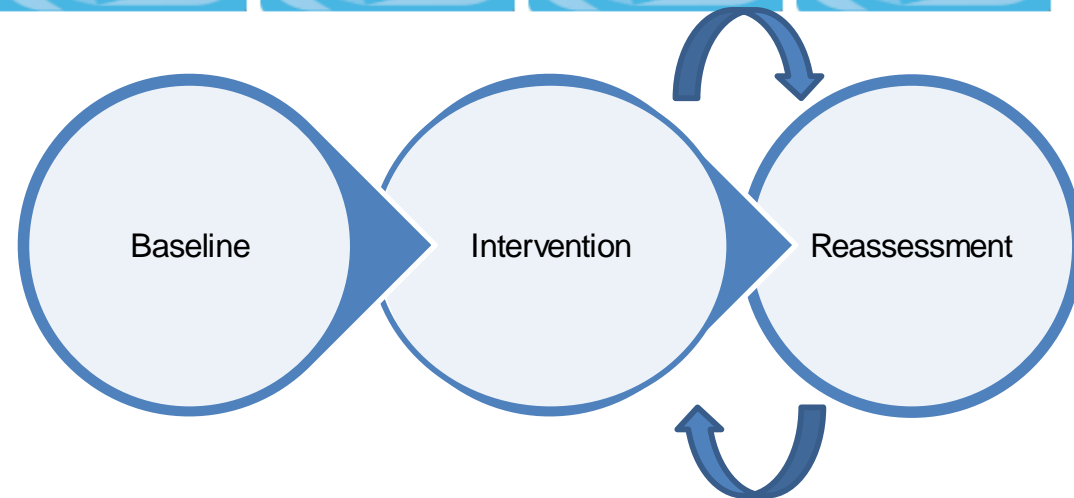


✓ indicates that the assessment has been completed.

## My Reports and Resources

Advice and guidance based on your responses..

My Reports and Resources



Individual Learning Plan (ILP) & Performance

## Management Information & Drill Down

- Dashboard and high level management screen for drill-down:
  - Programmes
    - Activity, Average Scores, Demographic Survey / Responses
  - Centres
    - Evaluation of the learner
    - Individually, by cohort, by class, by grouping, by centre, across all centres in an education programme

## CDETb (cdetb)



## Overview

Programmes  
Profiler Managers  
Recent Activity

## OVERALL REPORTS

Activity

## ASSESSMENT REPORTS

Average Scores

## SURVEY REPORTS

Responses

## System Details

Code: cdetb

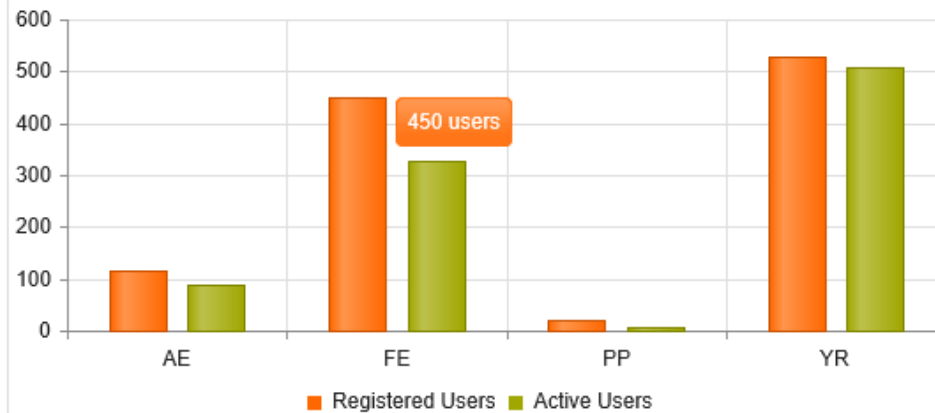
Name: CDETb

Users online: 0

## Activity (Total users = 1115)

By organisation

By date



## Your Programmes

Adult Education	AE	<a href="#">View</a>
Further Education	FE	<a href="#">View</a>
Post Primary	PP	<a href="#">View</a>
Youthreach	YR	<a href="#">View</a>

[Add/Edit Programmes](#)

## Common reports

Activity Analysis Report

[Run Report](#)

Activity Analysis Report (XLSX)

[Run Report](#)

Activity Analysis Report for Institutions

[Run Report](#)

Assessment Average Scores Report

[Run Report](#)

Assessment Average Scores Report 2

[Run Report](#)

Dashboard of Registered and Active Learners by Education Programme.

Reports to analyse learner activity across Centres and Programmes.

## Region: YR Region 9 (R9)

### Overview

[Region Details](#)

[Sites](#)

[Region Leaders](#)

#### OVERALL REPORTS

[Activity](#)

[Individuals Activity](#)

[Individuals Bands](#)

[Individuals Scores](#)

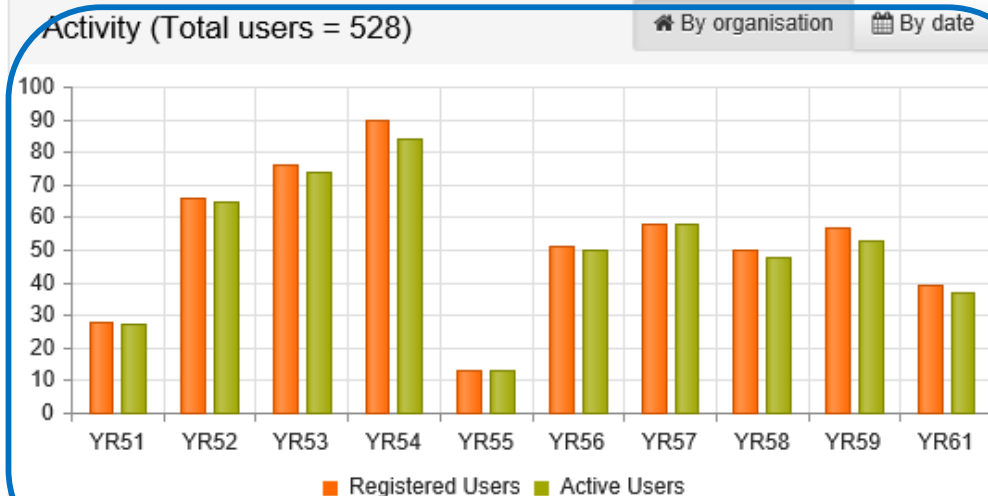
#### ASSESSMENT REPORTS

[Average Scores](#)

#### SURVEY REPORTS

[Responses](#)

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### Sites

Sherrard Street	YR51	<a href="#">View</a>
North Great George's Street	YR52	<a href="#">View</a>
Pleasants Street	YR53	<a href="#">View</a>
Transition Centre	YR54	<a href="#">View</a>
Crumlin	YR55	<a href="#">View</a>
Ballyfermot	YR56	<a href="#">View</a>
Harmonstown	YR57	<a href="#">View</a>
Kilmore Road	YR58	<a href="#">View</a>

[Add/Edit Sites](#)

Dashboard of Registered and Active Learners by Centre.



Individual: [ ] 5301)

Impersonate

Login as

Generate Report



## Overview

## OVERALL REPORTS

Activity

Bands

Reports

## ASSESSMENT REPORTS

Responses

Progress

Average Scores

## SURVEY REPORTS

Responses

## Details

Edit

Name

Username:

National Identifier:

## Results

List

Bands

#	Module	
889	Shapes and colours	4
890	Spelling - Words	2
891	Spelling - Non-words	4
433	Reading	3
434	Attention	4
435	Social	2
436	Motor Skills	4
886	Foundation	4
887	Arithmetic	4
888	Problems	4
892	Reading Comprehension	3
1133	Reading Comprehension	
468	Alphabetic Principles	1
463	Phonics	1

## Notes

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Note

Author

Date

## Key

0-10%



10-25%



25-50%



50-100%



The individual performance of a learner is shown in a four colour traffic light based on the population.



Youthreach

YR Region 9

Individuals Bands

## Site: Pleasants Street (YR53)



Overview

Site Details

Sub Sites

Site Leaders

Individuals

OVERALL REPORTS

Activity

Individuals Activity

**Individuals Bands**

Individuals Scores

ASSESSMENTS

Average Scores

SURVEY REPORTS

Responses

## Individuals Bands

The collective performance of each learner against each other to allow grouping of learners for similar interventions and strategies.

Search:

Copy

CSV

Excel

Shapes and colours	Spelling - Words	Spelling - Non-words	Reading	Attention	Social	Motor Skills	Foundation	Arithmetic	Problems	Reading Comprehension	Re Co
4	3	4	1	1	2	2	4	3	3	3	
4	4	4	4	3	3	1	4	4	3	4	
3	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	
4	2	1	3	3	4	4	2	4	3	3	
4	3	3	3	4	3	2	4	4	4	4	
4	4	4	3	1	4	4	4	4	4	4	

<https://doitprofiler.net/Manage/Group/A>

## CDETB Profiler Benefits

- One model to understand the needs of your learners.
- Allows you to understand the learner across multiple dimensions (not just educational attainment) and across multiple levels - individual, class, cohort, centre and institutional.
- Available and accessible online to all registered learners.
- Immediate learner reports with advice and recommended strategies for success.
- Can be used multiple times during the academic year to track progress
- Can be used to assess the impact of learning interventions to drive their further improvement and refinement (feedback loop).





# Future Creators

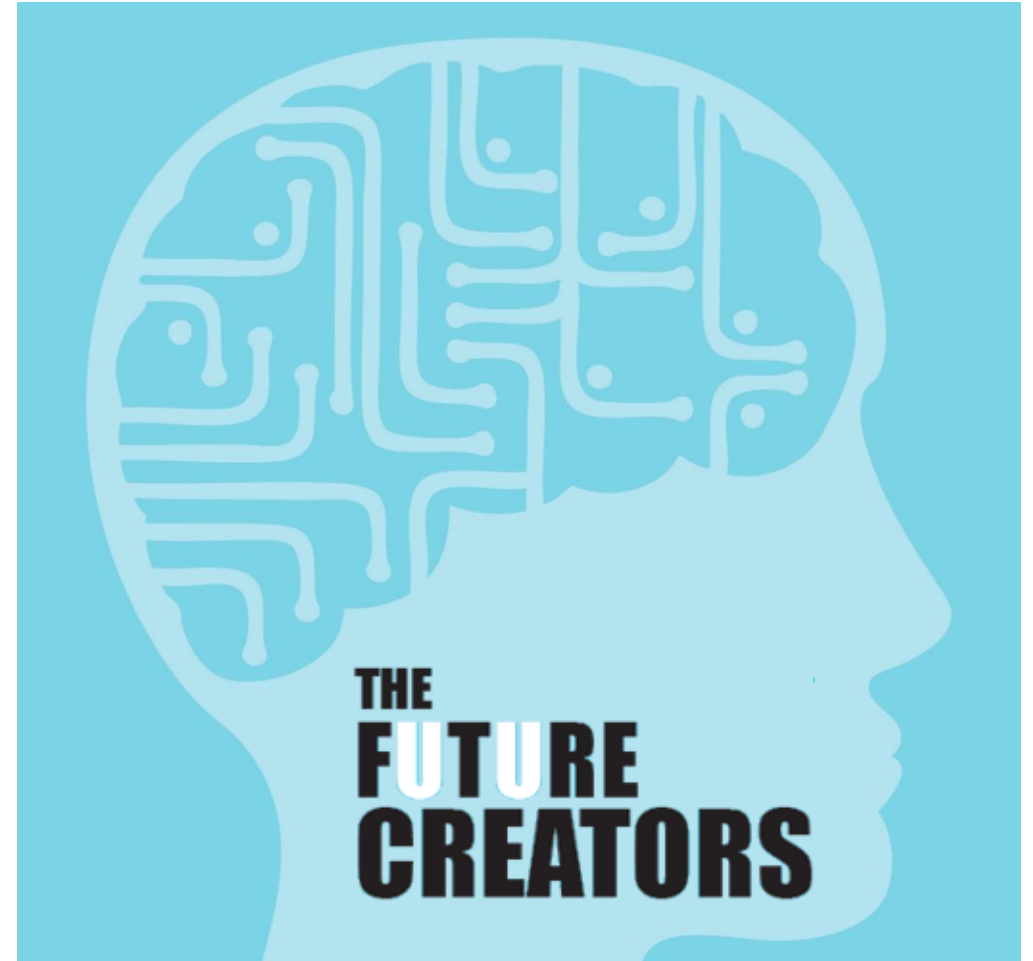
Using technology to define new literacies

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[digitalhub.com/futurecreators](http://digitalhub.com/futurecreators)



# Who are the Future Creators

- 24 young people
  - 13 to 16 years old
  - Dublin 8
  - Boys and girls
- Out-of-school context
  - 2 evenings per week





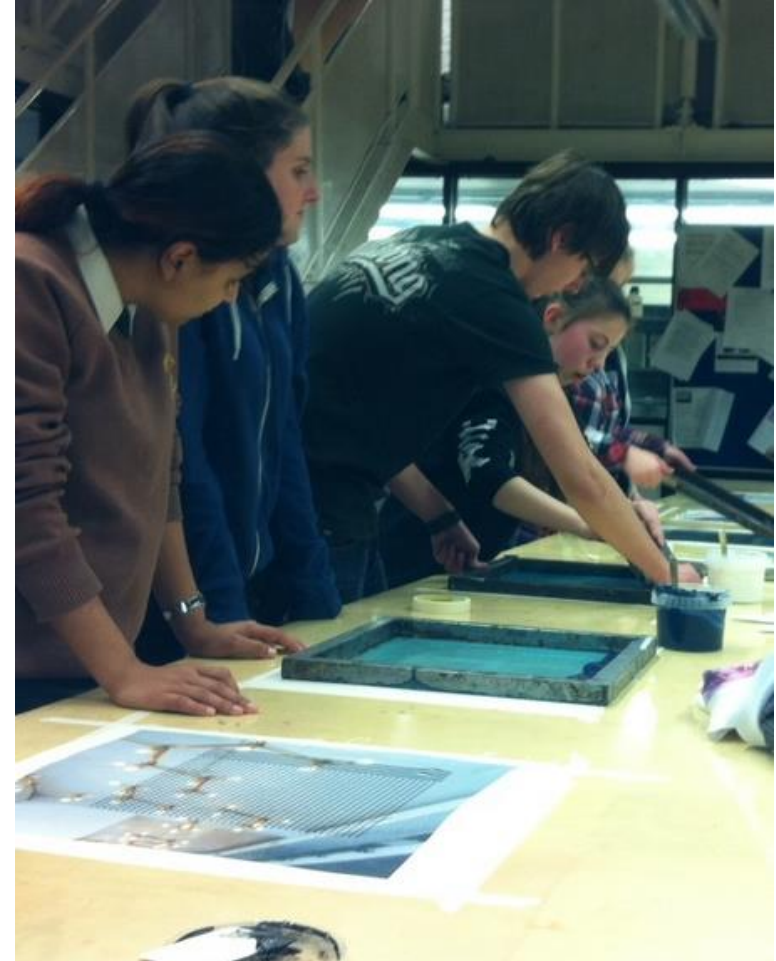
# Why Future Creators

- Opportunity to acquire digital skills
  - coding, animation, etc.
- Focus on 21<sup>st</sup> century skills
  - team-building, problem solving and communication
- Help them consider future possibilities
- **While exploring their creative potential**



# So what is Digital Media?

- Social media
- Digital image manipulation
- Stop motion animation
- Sound editing
- Flash animation
- Digital 2D & 3D print
- Film-making
- Chroma Key (green screen)
- Coding



# Celebrating Achievement

- Showcase event held in NCAD
- NCAD Future Creators certificate
- Showcase their work
  - Films, apps, design
- Talk about their experience
- Share with family and friends
- Future Creators Alumni







# Giving young people a voice...

*I didn't think I'd be able to do all this*

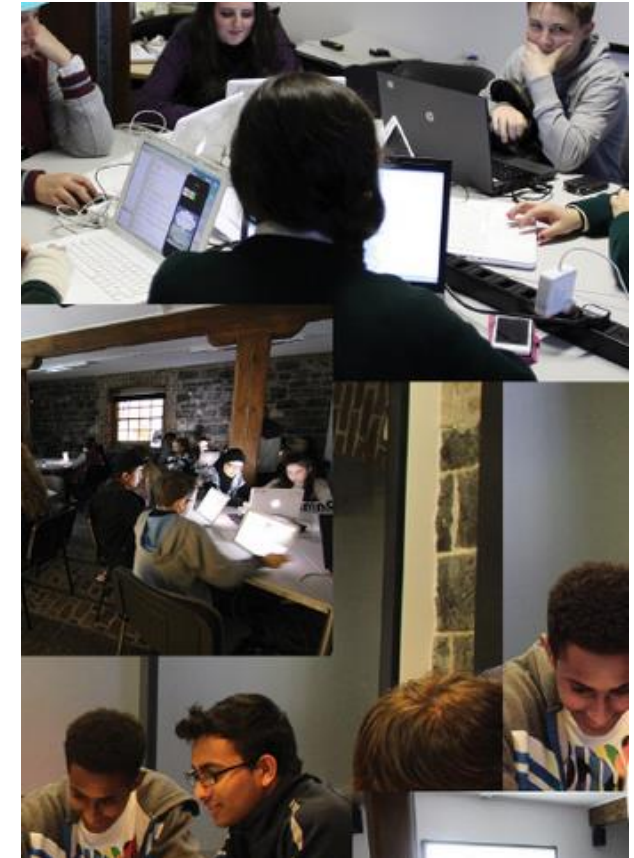
*I feel a lot more confident than I was. Before I came here I was really shy, I didn't talk to anyone at all and now I talk so much... wow I can actually talk to people*

*Definitely different from school because you can talk to people and figure out how to solve something*

*It's challenging ...I see it like a puzzle, you get all these things and you have to fit them together.*

*You can make your own app to do anything you really want and can feel really proud of yourself that you made it*

*Now I'm looking up stuff and I know where to go for information.*





A close-up, slightly high-angle shot of a woman with light brown hair tied back, smiling warmly at a laptop screen. The laptop is in the foreground, its screen showing a blurred blue and white interface. The woman's face is the central focus, with her eyes looking down at the screen and a pleasant expression. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

# iScoil

Developing a new model of online learning

- An online learning community
- An alternative path to further education and employment.
- Provides personalised learning plans negotiated with students and based on their needs and interests.
- Ireland's first virtual school

iScoil  
works with  
young  
people at  
their pace  
and in a  
supportive  
way.

# Background

- The original iScoil is based on Notschool.net
  - Created by Professor Stephen Heppell in the UK
- The Presentation Sisters developed the model here
  - Commitment to learning innovation and learning inclusion
- Evidence of educational/learning needs amongst a considerable cohort of young people.
  - Almost 2,500 young people left school before Junior Certificate
  - 1,500 of these left at First and Second years (ESRI 2007)
  - 1,100 young people who had left before completion of Junior Cert were unemployed, seeking their first job or unavailable for work, one year after leaving school.

## In iScoil, we aim to...

- Engage young people in learning.
- Build confidence and self-esteem.
- Offer Accreditation opportunities.
- Support progression to further education and employment.
- Based on principles of inclusivity and equality
- Adopts a non-judgemental approach

The  
iScoil  
approach is  
learner  
centred and  
based on the  
concept of a  
personalised  
journey of  
learning.

## Referral

- iScoil welcomes a range of young people who are out of mainstream education.
- Students aged from 13 to 16 who have not attended school for at least six months and have had other interventions which did not work.
- Reasons why young people might need to avail of the service range from school phobia, illness or mental health problems.
- Referrals usually come through the Child and Family Agency (formally the National Educational Welfare Board)



# Blended learning model

- Involves both online and face-to-face engagement.
- Blended programmes in Longford, Mullingar, Limerick and Roscommon
- Developed locally in partnership
  - National Educational Welfare Board
  - School Completion Programme
  - Garda Diversion Programme
  - Youthwork Services



# What does it look like .....

# The iScoil Homepage

The screenshot shows the iScoil homepage layout. On the left, a vertical list of course topics is shown: Learning Plan, Julie, Communicate, 2.2.5 Review, Computers, 4.3 Personal Details, 1.5 E-Learning, Maths, 2.5.1 Millimeter, 2.5.2 Centimeter, 2.5.3 Meter, Living Things - New course, 1.1 The characteristics of Life, and 1.2 Classifying Organisms. At the bottom left is a Courses section. On the right, there are sections for Online users, Messages, Helpdesk, and Facebook Feed. Annotations with blue arrows point to specific features: 'Mentor' points to the Julie section, 'Asynchronous' points to the Messages section, 'Support' points to the Helpdesk section, and 'Task Learning Outcome' points to the Living Things - New course section.

**Learning Plan**

More excellent work, Patrick. You are doing really well! Here are your new tasks.

**You have now completed your FETAC level 3 Certificate in Personal & Interpersonal Skills. Well done!**

Julie 🌟

**Communicate** - *... has work, you have finished another unit. You just have three tasks to do to finish the written work for your Comms certificate.*

**2.2.5 Review** - just a few corrections - see the task

Computers

**4.3 Personal Details**

**1.5 E-Learning**

Maths

**2.5.1 Millimeter**

**2.5.2 Centimeter**

**2.5.3 Meter**

Living Things - New course

**1.1 The characteristics of Life**

**1.2 Classifying Organisms**

**Courses**

**Online users**

(last 3 minutes)

Marianne Checkley\*

**Messages**

Joanne Frawley\* 1

Marie Loftus\* 2

Carmel Cremin\* 1

Messages

**Helpdesk**

Helpdesk

**Facebook Feed**

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iScoil Like

iScoil

What do you think of Alex Turners Brit Award acceptance speech?

February 20 at

## The approach within iScoil includes

- Individualised learning plans
- Identification of and building on students' interests
- Work at students' own pace
- Blended learning combining online and face-to-face work (in some cases)
- Adaptable flexible curriculum
- Work towards recognised accreditation within the National Framework of Qualifications.

# Certification

iScoil learners can achieve FETAC Level 3 accreditation in the following subject areas:

Core Modules	Other Modules
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Communications</li><li>• Mathematics</li><li>• Personal and Interpersonal Skills</li><li>• Computer Literacy</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Living Things</li><li>• French</li><li>• Spanish</li><li>• Personal Effectiveness</li><li>• Career Preparation</li></ul>

To complete the Certificate in General Learning students need to complete four core modules plus any other two modules.

# Learner Profiles





## Parent Testimonials

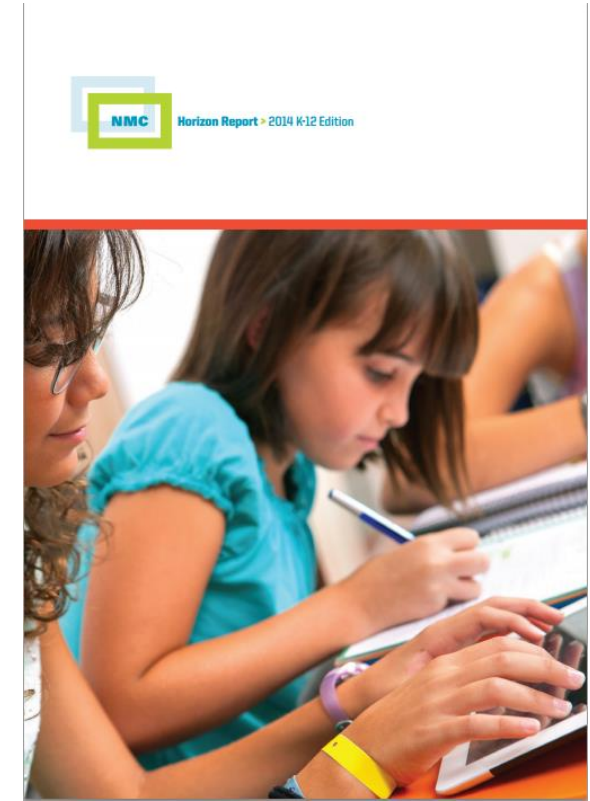
*My son had been out of mainstream education for many months. iScoil was that vital bridge between him gaining back his courage, space, and dignity while gaining qualifications at his own pace and in his own time. My son finally found a community of people he could interact with from the safety of his home, and yet, had frequent contact with the iScoil team.*

*As a parent of a child who couldn't attend mainstream school, iScoil saved my life. My son needed to be educated and was helped so much by the online learning community that is iScoil. To be able to work from home and complete tasks in his own time took the pressure off Alan and helped him achieve goals set by the team at iScoil.*

*Before my daughter started iScoil she was a fearful and anxious child. For the 2 years she was there she developed from that to be confident, friendly and outgoing. She has completed an Open University course and is now looking forward to starting College in September.*

# Key Trends Accelerating K-12 Ed Tech Adoption

- Fast Trends (1 to 2 years)
  - Rethinking the Roles of Teachers
  - Shift to Deep Learning Approaches
- Mid-Range Trends (3 to 5 years)
  - Increasing Focus on Open Content
  - Increasing Use of Hybrid Learning Designs
  - Learning Analytics
- Long-Range Trends (5 or more years)
  - Rapid Acceleration of Intuitive Technology
  - Rethinking How Schools Work



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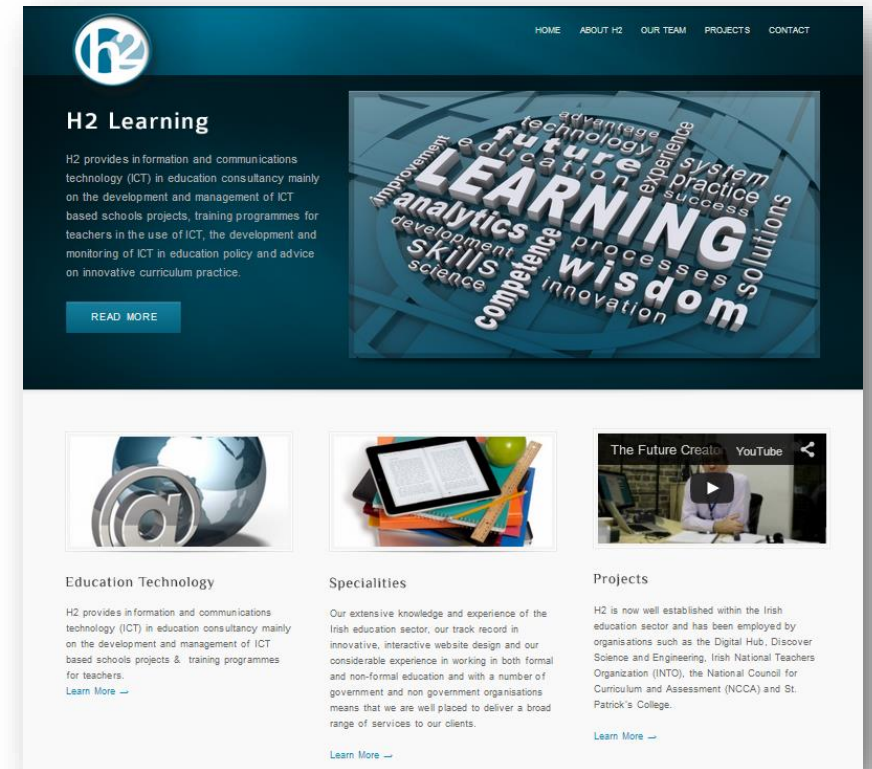
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