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To: All Heads of College Network and Heads of Primary Schools (State and Non-State)
From: Carmen Muscat – Education Officer, Assessment of Learning
Subject: Introduction of Audio-Visual clips for Benchmark 2022 Listening Components

Following feedback the Benchmark Review Board received from various stakeholders, the End-of-Primary Benchmark 2022 Listening components will be administered as audio-visual clips rather than audio recordings. Students sitting for these components will be able to hear and see the narrators and actors reading the listening comprehension texts and questions. Pauses will be made between each question allowing students to write their answers to the questions.

In preparation for this introduction, the listening components for the past Benchmark examinations (from 2015 to 2019) have been filmed in the new format, providing audio-visual recording samples to be used in classrooms so students can familiarize themselves with the new format.

These are the links to the various samples:

2015	Session 1 English	Session 2 English
	Session 1 Maltese	Session 2 Maltese
2016	Session 1 English	Session 2 English
	Session 1 Maltese	Session 2 Maltese
2017	Session 1 English	Session 2 English
	Session 1 Maltese	Session 2 Maltese
2018	Session 1 English	Session 2 English
	Session 1 Maltese	Session 2 Maltese
2019	Session 1 English	Session 2 English
	Session 1 Maltese	Session 2 Maltese

These links are also found on the DLAP website www.curriculum.gov.mt under the tab 'Benchmark'.

Heads of School are to ensure that Year 6 teachers are informed about the introduction of this change for the coming Benchmark 2022 examinations.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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