

THE LEIGH ACADEMY



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JCO/JWH/Year 10 update

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Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Year 10 Update

As we approach the start of Module 5 and schools remain closed; it is important to emphasise the need for Year 10 students to stay committed to their studies and to outline the support we have in place to ensure that this is the case.

I know that this continues to be a worrying time, and that you may be concerned about the loss of valuable school weeks for your Year 10 son/daughter's preparations for their GCSE examinations in 2021. As an academy, we are committed to supporting our Year 10 students so that they remain on track and well-prepared for their future examinations and next steps.

As you will know, students in Year 10 started their GCSE studies at the start of Year 9. This additional subject time means that students and teachers are far more advanced in their delivery of specifications. Lessons will continue to be placed on Google Classroom each day from Monday 20th April and students should complete all tasks during this period of school closure. It is important that Year 10 students also revisit Year 9 content during their regular revision. One effective strategy would be to make flashcards for each Year 9 topic in all subjects. In terms of events for Year 10 this summer, I can confirm that the end of year internal examinations will not take place. In addition, I am sorry to say that the work experience week in July will also have to be postponed. We will look to reschedule these events in Year 11 if possible.

As ever, The Leigh Academy will continue to follow all DfE and Ofqual guidance regarding school closures and future examinations. This is likely to include advice about how Year 10 students can move forward with certainty and assurance. As soon as we have any further news, we will share this with you.

In the meantime, we will continue to support all of our students in their online learning and in preparing for their qualifications in the future.

Thank you for your ongoing support, particularly in discussing with your child the work that they are completing online as we go into Module 5.

Take care and stay safe.

Yours faithfully

Julia Collins
Principal



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