

THE LEIGH ACADEMY



19th June 2020

JCO/GPE/YR7UPDATE

Dear Parents/Carers

RE: Year 7 update

This week we have welcomed Year 10 and Year 12 students back into the academy on a rota basis and it has been a joy to have students back learning with us safely. As the week has run so smoothly with all the precautionary measures in place and the evident benefits to our young people I have reviewed our capacity and am considering extending our provision for onsite learning to Year 7 students in July.

I have selected Year 7 as the next priority year group as these students have only had six months with us at The Leigh Academy and would otherwise have a total of six months with no face to face contact in their first year in secondary education. The purpose of this provision would be to reconnect, rebuild relationships, reassure students and parents and of course, to deliver some face to face learning which would support the online remote learning that would continue alongside the onsite provision.

This would follow similar lines to the Year 10 provision we have in place with the following protective measures in place:

- social distancing
- staggered times
- classes of no more than 15 students
- these groups would be kept in the same rooms as much as possible and not mix with any other group
- possibly one day a week
- minimising movement and minimising contact
- more regular clearing of classrooms, toilets, emptying bins etc.
- cleaning to take place between each group on site
- risk assessments in place

It would assist in our planning if you were able to give an indication if you would like your child to attend in July, by completing the survey in the link below, by 5pm on Tuesday 23rd June. <https://forms.gle/tPiUmuaacKnpfBrc6>

Yours faithfully

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