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Dear Parents/Carers

## **RE Year 8 and 9 - Blended Learning and the use of Chromebooks**

On the successful return to The Leigh Academy of all year groups this week following the national lockdown, we are keen to continue the momentum of online learning alongside face to face learning. Students will have been working independently at home for the last few months and will have developed their resilience and independent learning skills. We wish to continue to foster these and also to continue with the benefits of online learning, so your child will have Google classrooms set up for every actual class and we would ask all students to ensure they have joined these during the first week back. Over time we will also be able to link these to parent emails which will enable parents to see what work is being completed. This will also be the case for the tutor Google classroom, both students and parents, easy access to the support of the form tutor.

This blended learning approach will see us continue to set all homework online as well as posting other resources and assessments in Google Classrooms. There will be lots more opportunities to use online learning both during and after the academy day.

Please take a moment to complete <https://forms.gle/2rsaSL.o2se19n9tN7> to tell us about whether or not your child has access to a device that they can bring into the academy to support them in their learning. Once we have collated responses we will then be back in touch with a plan moving forward.

We are delighted to see all the students back this week and working in partnership with you to support your child through the next stage of their education.

Yours faithfully

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