



Headteacher: T.Body BA (Hons), MA

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are safe and well in these difficult times.

Further to our previous communication and the recent Government announcements, we will be commencing our on-line provision for all students as of Monday 11th January.

We will be adopting a blended approach for our teaching of all students – of both ‘live’ and recorded lessons, using our previous platforms – Go4Schools and Edmodo, as well as Loom and Zoom. The latter 2 on-line platforms allow for us to record lessons as well as give ‘live’ lessons to students. We believe this will help both student engagement and ultimately their learning.

The process:

- Go4 schools will continue to inform home / students of the work to be done as well as the on-line links for the Loom and Zoom platforms. Student work can be saved and communicated through Edmodo. Home and students will have the log-ons for Go4Schools and Edmodo already – if you need details on this please contact Admin@westfield.academy.
- The new 2 week timetable will be sent out to all students by their Head of Year. Following this, students should be logging on to view their lesson arrangements through Go4School and Edmodo.
- Based on student timetables, 50% of each subject lessons across the 2 weeks will be ‘live’ and the rest will be recorded lessons and activities. Each subject teacher will inform students of log-on codes for these live lessons (through Go4Schools), with the expectation of full, punctual attendance as well as following Westfield’s code of conduct. These live lessons will be 40 minutes long and will follow the student timetable.
- Over the next 3 days we are ensuring staff are fully trained in these approaches, and are working to the following timeframe:

From Wednesday 13/1:

- 'Live' Zoom lessons for Year 11 and 13 will commence (50% of their timetable)
- Years 7-10 and 12, lessons will be on Go4Schools and Edmodo.

From Wednesday 20/1:

- All year groups will have 50% 'live' lessons, with the remaining on Edmodo and Go4Schools.

On-Line safety:

Our students' safety is paramount. We will ensure that parents and carers are made aware of what their children are being asked to do, including:

- sites they will be asked to use
- school staff their child will interact with.

Parentmail and Go4 schools will be used to inform parents and carers of this.

Further to this, please aim to provide a safe, quiet place for your child's on-line work. If there are issues with on-line provision, please contact me.

As with many aspects of the last few months, these are new approaches and strategies that we are using. If you have any questions, please contact me at Westfield and I will aim to resolve any issues: pc@westfield.academy.

Kind regards

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