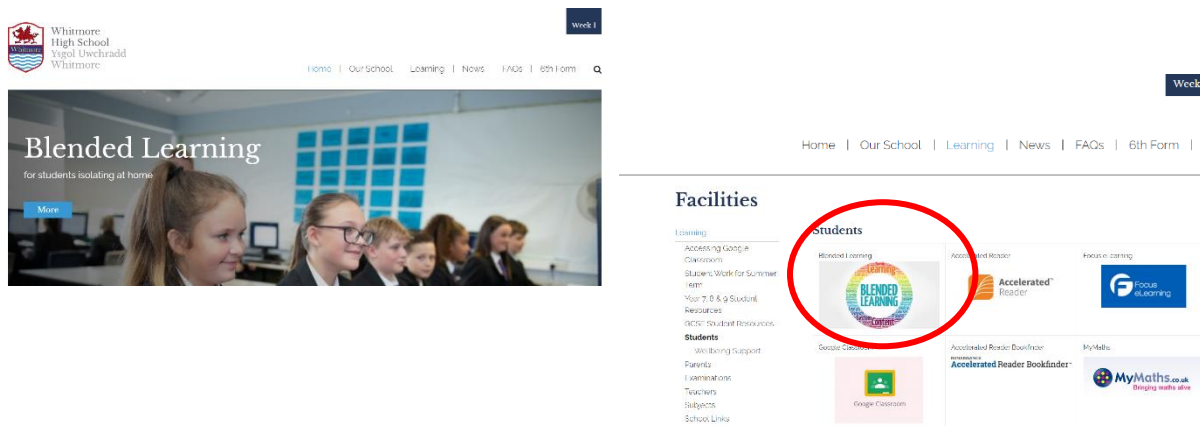


Dear Parents/Guardians of Year 9,

For the week commencing 2nd November Year 9 pupils will be learning at home. During lockdown staff at Whitmore High School have been preparing for this eventuality. We have developed an approach to learning at home called 'Blended Learning'. This means pupils working at home in different ways:

- Working on Google classrooms to read materials and complete tasks, and or;
- Working listening to teacher video tutorials and completing quizzes on our WHS Blended Learning Website.

Access to online learning is via our school website. Go to the Learning section or the front banner 'Blended Learning'. Here pupils can follow the links to our Blended Learning website and Google Classroom.



The pupils will need their Hwb Log in to gain access to the website. The website has pages dedicated to each year group. The format is one page for each lesson. The lesson comprises of an entry quiz, a video tutorial from their teacher and an exit quiz.

Pupils should follow their timetable for this week. The work and the lessons are listed below.

English – All students will have a mixture of assigned Blended Learning lessons and reading lessons scheduled on their English Google Classroom. Lessons will be on the class text that is being studied in school, either The Hunger Games or Lord of the Flies.

Maths – Pupils are to follow the stage and lesson set by their teacher on the Blended Learning Website. The **Maths lessons** are set up according to the stage the pupils are working at. The first Maths page identifies the stage each set are working at. The Maths pages are created with a teacher tutorial explaining the concept, then links to supporting tutorials on Hegarty Maths and Corbett maths. Pupils will need to be logged on to their Hegarty Maths account. **Each page of the Maths lessons is equivalent to a week of lessons.** The Hegarty Maths login is the student's personal details; their name and date of birth.

Science:

Biology - Lesson 8 Diffusion & 9 Osmosis on Year 9 Biology Blended learning website

Chemistry - 2 lessons -Topic 1 – Earth and Atmosphere: Structure of the earth & the theory of continental drift – blended learning website & google classroom

Physics - They are to **complete** all the tasks on electric circuits their teachers have set on **www.educake.co.uk** during this period. Pupils already have their login details, but they can reset their passwords if they have forgotten them using their **hwbcymru.net** email address, which is the same one they use to access google classroom. There will also be one task on electric circuits to complete on the google classroom appropriate to their class.

Geography – Blended Learning lesson 5 (rainforest exploitation), complete pages 17-19 in your rainforest booklet. Complete GCSE style question from PowerPoint.

History – Work is on google classroom and on Blended Learning site (Lesson 3 - slave rebellions)

RE –Work for all classes is on Google classrooms. This will give instructions for the work they are to complete via google classrooms. This will link with the work on the blended learning site.

Music – Pupils to start the new Musicals project on the Blended learning website (Lesson 1) Upload work to google classroom when completed.

Drama – To work on Blended Learning Project 1 (for those who were off previously, they are to carry on where they left off) For everyone else, they are to start on Lesson 1.

DT – Completing designer research and Design Specification on Classroom
Designing their clock with measurements ready to model on their return
Watch the card modelling videos on their classroom

Home Economics – On Blended Learning Website.

Art –Task is to create a detailed drawing of an artefact from a culture of your choice.

By the end of the task you will have produced a coloured pencil study with attention to the following: Line, Shape, Scale, Colour, Texture, Pattern, Detail & Realism.

Students can view the detailed PowerPoint on Google Classroom which fully explains the task, with Starter and Exit Quiz.

ICT – lesson 1 in Blended Learning Website on Internet - Web Browsers
and Tasks to be uploaded into google classroom

MFL:

Spanish - Casas and Viviendas - Learning about your local area. The class work booklet is on the website that pupils' need to use. There are also knowledge organisers and key vocabulary lists to support pupils work.

French - Tele et Cinema - Learning about TV programmes and Films on Blended Learning website. The class work booklet is on the website that pupils' need to use. There are also knowledge organisers and key vocabulary lists to support pupils work.

Welsh – will need to complete the first two lessons on the topic of 'Area'. These will revise adjectives, reasons and describing the area they live in. These tasks can be completed on paper or electronically.

PE – Pupils to see booklet and lessons on Blended Learning Website on 'How to stay active at home'

May I take this opportunity to wish to and your family a happy and safe half term break.

We look forward to welcoming your son / daughter back to school on Monday 9th November.

Yours Faithfully,

Innes Robinson