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Online Learning Tools in Secondary

During continuous online learning, students in secondary will continue to use the platforms which we normally utilise in school, with some additions. The Google education suite described below is a set of excellent tools which we use both to aid students' learning right now and to prepare them for further education and professional use of similar online tools. It is a good idea for students to download the apps or install the extensions for each of the following tools. Below is a brief overview of each tool with some useful video guides aimed at students.



Gmail:

Every secondary student has a school gmail account which is used for most communication. During online learning, keeping the gmail inbox organised is really important. Students will receive lots of notifications from teachers about work set and reminders when it is due. Students can easily contact teachers directly by typing their surnames into the 'To' box on a new email.

[Video guide to organising your gmail.](#)



Google Classroom:

Google classroom is an excellent online learning tool, which gives teachers and students a virtual space for all their learning resources and communication. All secondary teachers use Google classroom to set work and to communicate with students. It is linked to students' gmail accounts, so they will also receive notifications to their email about this work.

Here is a basic [video guide](#) to Google classroom for students and a more detailed guide to [submitting work](#).



Google Meets and Zoom:

During continuous online learning, students will have live lessons with either Google Meets or Zoom. Students will be expected to be on camera and the microphone at points during all lessons, so should be prepared for this. They can download the apps for both platforms to their iPads. Invitations for these meetings will be shared with students through Google calendar or posted to their Google Classrooms.

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Google Drive:

Google Drive is a cloud platform which stores different kinds of files. Worksheets or tasks which teachers set will be saved in students' Google Drive automatically and students can also create their own slides, documents, drawings and even websites from their drive. It is a good idea for them to keep their work organised in subject folders.

[Organising your Google drive.](#)

[Getting started in Google drive.](#)

[Making use of the 'priority' feature in drive.](#)



Google Calendar

Like the other Google tools, students' calendar is linked to their gmail, so it will display not only any meetings they have been invited to, but also the assignments which are coming up for each of their classes.

[Accepting invitations in Google calendar.](#)

[Adding your timetable to Google calendar.](#)

Other Online Learning Tools:

Teachers at TBS are always striving to improve their online lessons and engage students in learning using different online tools. They will help students to understand these tools, but further information on some of the most popular can be found here:

- [Biblionasium:](#)
- [Flipgrid:](#)
- [Peardeck:](#)
- [Quizziz:](#)
- [Kahoot:](#)
- [Jamboard:](#)
- [Quizlet:](#)
- [Padlet:](#)
- [Mote.](#)