Subject: Video Meetings and Online Classes Using Microsoft Teams
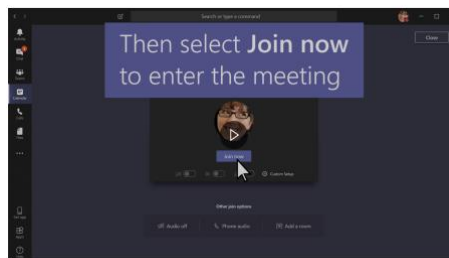
Colleagues,
A number of you have been asking about holding online classes (via video conferencing).
Microsoft Teams does this easily, so I have attached two quick video tutorials which explains
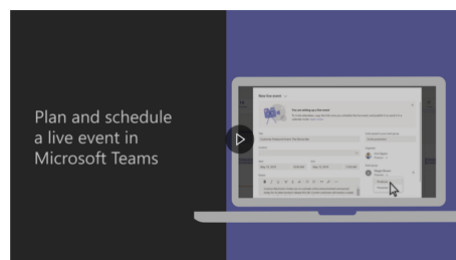how this is done.

The main points:

- You can schedule a meeting with your Team for any time in the future by using the calendar
- If you switch on the camera, they will see you. Students generally switch their own camera off and you only see their initials.
- There are no limits to time or participants
- You can simply upload a prepared PowerPoint presentation and talk your students through them with you in full control
- If you want to draw diagrams or show maths calculations the Whiteboard app integrates, and students can see it live
- You can record the meeting and paste it to the Team page for students to look back at it later. (It saves automatically to Microsoft Teams)
- HINT: Set up a false empty Team to test it in advance (I called mine Covid-19)
- HINT: Upload the PowerPoint to Files on the Team page in advance to prep the students
- HINT: Have the students mute their microphones during the meeting so there is no sound in the background
- HINT: Post a short Microsoft Form to the Team page to get individual feedback from students.
- There are no external logins and all they must do is log on to Teams and press JOIN.

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Recorded Presentation on how to use Cisco WebEx also available. Click the link below to view.

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