Dear Parents/Carers.



Google Classroom Launch

All schools are required to have an online learning platform that can be easily accessed should a local lockdown be enforced, or a 'Bubble' is required to be quarantined for 14 days. We are keen to ensure our children can continue to access a quality education, including targeted activities and quality feedback and marking.

Therefore, in future, our children will access their homework (and learning in the event of a Lockdown) using Google Classroom. As our readiness for this is essential, over the next few days(if you have not already) you will receive your child's login information from their class teacher. To access Google Classroom, please visit classroom.google.com

Whilst children are required to be in school, our Google Classroom will only be active for homework (assignments). Therefore, please ensure you login and familiarise yourself with the space. Once active, you will be able to see any messages from the teachers and view your child's assignments and feedback from their class teacher.

What is Google Classroom?

Google Classroom is a free application, created by Google, which allows teachers and students to communicate, and can be used to organise and manage learning and assignments. It forms part of *G Suite for Education* and has an uncomplicated and user-friendly interface that will help you manage learning at home.

What do I need to do?

This week, you will have received a letter with a unique login and password to access Google Classroom.

You will also have received a Google Classroom Support Pack. Please read this carefully in preparation for the launch on Friday 25th September. Then, login for the first instalment of your child's learning.

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Once you have done this, check the platform every Friday to see if any new learning has been set for your child. Some pieces of learning will have a deadline for submission; children should be encouraged to complete the learning by the given dates.

FAQs

What if I do not have access to a computer or the internet?

Google Classroom is accessible on most smartphones or tablets, and can be downloaded as an app. This is not the best solution, but will enable children to access their work. However, if you are having ongoing problems with access due to computer and/or internet issues, please make contact with either Miss Banton or Miss Jenkins, who will be free to discuss any problems that you may encounter.

What Day will my child receive Homework and when will they need to hand it in?

Teachers will post homework by 3pm every Friday. The children will have deadlines to hand in their homework which will be the following Tuesday.

Will my child's work be marked?

All children's work will be acknowledged however, five children's homework will be selected to give in depth feedback each week this will work on a rolling programme and a different five children will be selected the following week.

What happens if the homework is too difficult or too easy for my child?

There is a comment box provided in Google Classroom to give comments and communicate with the teacher.

If you encounter any difficulties, please contact your child's class teacher through your child's year group email or Google Classroom.

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