



Wednesday 7th October 2020

Google Classroom

Dear Parents/Carers,

Summary

- We are launching Google Classroom on **Thursday 7th October**
- Google Classroom is now our home-learning platform for both homework and lockdown scenarios
- Have-a-go: This is a chance for all of us to identify any problems or issues
- Log into Google Classroom with log-in details inside your child's reading record
- Go to the classwork page and complete homework tasks

This information has been created for you to help your children access and use Google Classroom, our online learning platform for Years 1 - 6. (Reception class are using 'Tapestry'). Don't panic- we are learning too and we will strive to continue to become more proficient and skilled in our use of this new tool. As a teaching team, this is new to us all, so please be mindful we might not get it right straight away. We are launching its use this week for homework, so we can all become familiar with this new platform.

What is Google Classroom?

Google Classroom is free and it aims to simplify creating, distributing and assessing learning in a paperless way. Teachers can use Google Classroom to set homework and share resources and to organise home learning. Pupils can also submit pieces of work (Which will be particularly useful in a home learning situation).

It is a free resource that can be accessed from any device connected to the internet - laptops, desktop computers, chromebooks, tablets or mobile phones.

Step-by-step parent instructions on how to access and use Google Classroom follows. We have also added a useful video guide (See link below). These are also on our website:

Video - What is Google Classroom?

<https://youtu.be/3jAYn3ZrihM>

If you have any problems with accessing or using Google Classroom, then please email curryrivelpriamry@educ.somerset.gov.uk and we will respond as soon as we can (please do not use Google Classroom to communicate with us).

We will monitor the use of Google Classroom and will be able to identify who may be having problems and therefore we can offer support. Once we feel that we are confident at accessing Google Classroom for homework, further information will follow on handing in work and how work will be marked in home-learning scenarios.

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How to use our school's Google Classroom

Note: your child will need their log-in details for their school Google Classroom account to complete the steps below. (These can be found in their reading record) If they can't find these log-in details, please email the school office on curryrivelpriamry@educ.somerset.gov.uk

Smartphones and tablets: download the free Google Classroom app

Android devices	iOS devices (iPhones, iPods, and iPads)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Open the Play Store app > Search for 'Google Classroom' > Tap 'Google Classroom' > Tap 'Install' 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Open the App Store app > Search for 'Google Classroom' > Tap 'Google Classroom' > Tap 'Get'

Once the app has downloaded, open it.

Then, your child needs to:

- > Log in to their Google Classroom account with their google classroom username and password. (their username is usually their initial and lastname then @curryrivelpriamry.co.uk eg jbloggs@curryrivelpriamry.co.uk)
- > **Login details are inside your child's reading record**

Computers and laptops: log in to Google Classroom

Your child needs to:

- > Go to www.classroom.google.com
- > Log in to their Google Classroom account with their google classroom username and password. (their username is usually their initial and lastname then @curryrivelpriamry.co.uk eg jbloggs@curryrivelpriamry.co.uk)
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