



## Colvestone Primary School

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Dear Parents/carers,

Thank you for your support and encouragement with our remote learning so far. Children have been engaged and motivated to learn.

As part of our commitment to supporting pupils during closure, we have decided to implement Google Classroom as a vehicle to communicate with pupils and set learning opportunities. We will be using Google Classroom to provide a learning and communication platform between home and school. Accessible through this will be communication with your child's class teacher, online learning activities, virtual teaching at specific times of the day/week for specific subjects, learning resources and support, marking and feedback.

Year 6 will trial this platform next week and share their experiences with the rest of the school community.

### **What is Google Classroom?**

Google Classroom is a secure learning network for teachers and pupils. It provides a safe way for us to connect, share content and access work that has been completed at home.

### **How does Google Classroom work?**

The Google Classroom platform enables teachers to post learning material online, including short teaching inputs and work for your child to complete. Your child can complete work online, or upload a photo of their work, which teachers will then mark and provide feedback.

### **How will my child access Google Classroom?**

Your child can access their Google Classroom account on either a laptop, computer, a tablet or a smartphone. On the school website there are guides to help you access the platform on these different devices. You can also download the Google Classroom app on a ios or android device for free.

In order to login, your child will need to use the following details, which will be sent to you by email or text message.

Email address: [theirusername@colvestone.hackney.sch.uk](mailto:theirusername@colvestone.hackney.sch.uk)

Password: \_\_\_\_\_

***They must not share their personal login details with other children***



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### Instructions for access

The 'stream' which is the front page, is where teachers' direct children to learning links and websites and would be the best place for children to explore when they first access their classroom.

On the 'classwork' tab, there may also be assignments, quizzes or questions that are set. Clear instructions will be written to explain how to complete each task. Children don't need to save anything anywhere as Google automatically saves their work as they go in a folder that their teacher can see.

If there is an issue, children can send a private message to their teacher asking for help. Obviously, this is not a chat room, so please ensure your children are asking appropriate questions, not just striking up a conversation!

We hope that your child enjoys engaging with this learning platform both while the school is closed and when we return at some point hopefully in the Spring Term.

**Note:** There is no expectation to print any of the lessons. Just open the page and complete the work in your home learning book. Children can also share their learning by uploading a picture, creating a PowerPoint or Word document. Class teachers will give more options regarding the methods children can use to share their learning.

Thank you so much for being a part of our implementation of technology into our curriculum and remote learning. If there are any issues with passwords/usernames, please contact the school office ([admin@colvestone.hackney.sch.uk](mailto:admin@colvestone.hackney.sch.uk))

Yours Sincerely,

Miss Ephraim  
Leader of Learning