

## Home Work on Google Classroom

Dear Parents

We need your help, please.

We are getting the school ready **in case** a 'bubble' of classes has to go into isolation for two weeks. This would happen if we had positive cases of COVID-19 at school. **We hope this does not happen** but we need to be prepared for it.

I have attached a Parent's Guide to Remote Learning with this letter. Today, your child has been set some work on google classroom.

We need your child to **have a go** at accessing this **at home** so we can see if:

- they can get onto this site at home;
- they can complete the homework;
- send the homework back to us.

This will help us to see any problems that this may cause and enable us to try and fix them for you. We have stuck your child's logon details below.

Your sincerely

Paul Browning

**Pupils' login details are stuck here on the paper versions that go out to parents. If you need these resending, please contact the school and we will sort this out for you.**

**Please keep these login details safe and use them to log onto Google Classroom (see page 4)**



## A Parent's Guide for Home/Remote Learning

### Why will we need Home/Remote Learning?

There is no doubt that we want to be in school with your children to give them the best learning environment and the best learning opportunities.

If we have to close a 'bubble' of classes due to COVID-19, we are doing this to keep everyone as safe as possible from this virus.

Children still need to learn. It is quite clear that many pupils and their families found the spring and summer lockdown difficult. Not being in school resulted in many children not learning as well and being behind where they should be in their subjects.

We **do not** want any child to have their learning and their future prospects suffer because of this pandemic.

### Problems with Remote Learning

Remote Learning is not as good as being at school. Being in a class with staff always at hand to help during the full school day is the best place for children to be. We realise families face problems with remote learning. These may include:

- having difficulties connecting to the internet;
- having suitable laptops, pcs, tablets, ipads or other devices to use;
- having more than one child at home and having to share devices between them;
- understanding instructions from staff (language difficulties/new methods of teaching);
- Children having to work from home themselves.

**We are here to help you as best we can. Please contact us and tell us your problems so we may work with you to solve them.**

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### What can Parents do to help?

Please will you:

- help your child to logon to their year group Google Classroom Site;
- set up a routine for your child each day. Children are used to a timetable at school so it will be good if you could set up a timetable at home;
- take time to sit with your child to make sure they understand what they need to do. This will involve working through the assignments the teachers will post;
- help them if they are finding some of the work difficult;
- make sure they are sending work back to their teachers each day. If they are doing their work in a book or on paper, please take a photo of this and either email it to their teachers or attach it on Google Classroom;
- email us if you have any questions or problems. We will then get someone to phone, text or email you back (please see email addresses on the previous page).

## What we are sending home:

### The First Day

- If we have to close a bubble and tell pupils and staff that they need to isolate for two weeks, we will send a **sheet of activities for the first day**;
- We will give each child an **exercise book** to work in. Hopefully, many will be able to work on an electronic device but they can also use this book;

We will give each child their **login details** so that they may get on to Google Classroom and the other sites they use for their learning. (such as Times Tables Rock Stars).

## What is Google Classroom?

Think of Google Classroom as your child's digital link to learning.

Google Classroom is a web-based learning environment. When logged into Google Classroom, students can collaborate with their classmates and teachers. Google Classroom offers a digital safe space for pupils to view class work when absent, access work posted by their teacher and complete homework content. All of this can then be handed in to their teacher at the click of a button.

Only authorised Stepney pupils, teachers and some designated staff have access to the Stepney Google Classrooms. Google users outside of this are not granted access.

Google classroom is a great connection tool for both students and parents!

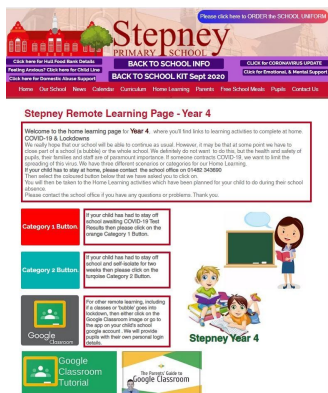
## Getting Started on Google Classroom?

1. First, go to our school website <https://www.stepney.hull.sch.uk/>



2. Then, click on Home Learning <https://www.stepney.hull.sch.uk/home-remote-learning>

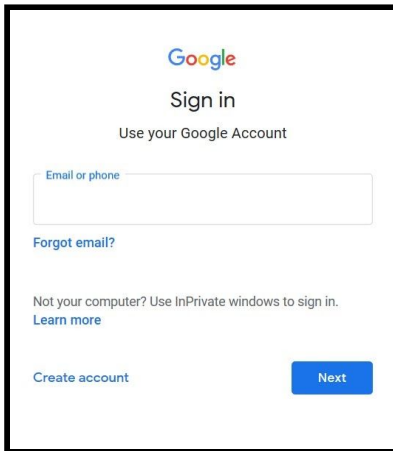
3. Click on your child's year group (it will look like this)



4. Click on the Google Classroom Button

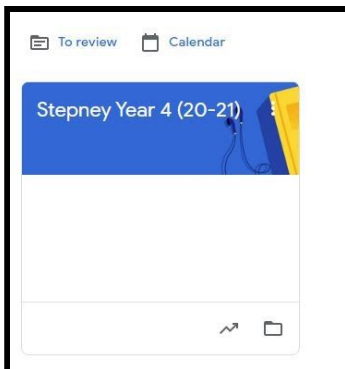


5. Then enter your child's login details: their username and their password.



Although the children's username is in the style of an email address, this can't be used for emailing purposes.

6. Click on the Google Classroom prompts. It will look something like this:

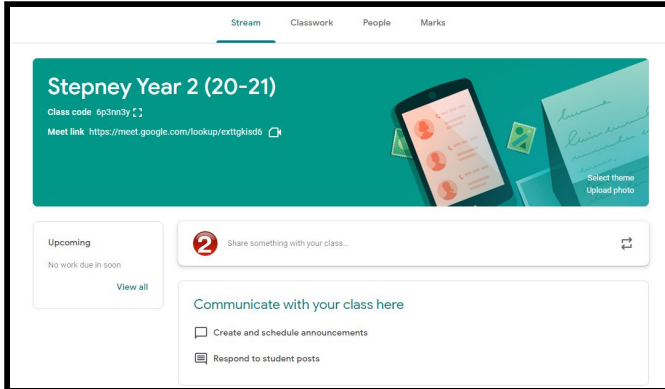


7. **When your child is using Google Classroom**

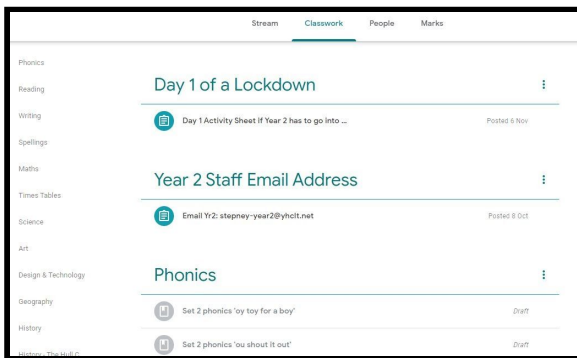
Staff are giving children the chance to practise using Google Classroom at school so they are becoming familiar with it.

Google Classroom is divided into different pages:

8. **Stream.** Pupils will be given instructions on the **Stream** page, which is also where they can have a conversation with their teacher by sending messages.



9. **Classwork.** Work **assignments** will be set on the **Classwork pages**. Pupils may also click on other topic areas, where there are links to sites such as TT Rock Stars. We are showing pupils how to complete work and how to send it to their teachers using Google Classroom.



10. **How will we contact you during a lockdown**

There is a facility on Google Classroom to have a meeting between staff and pupils. This is called **Google Meet**. We may contact you and your pupils using this facility as well as by phone calls and emails during a lockdown. We will continue to send you text messages/emails to keep you up-to-date on these issues.