

Parents' Guide to Google Classroom



What is Google Classroom?

Google Classroom is a piece of software that aims to simplify creating, distributing and assessing learning in a paperless way. Teachers can use Google Classroom to send announcements to entire classes, share resources, lesson notes, PowerPoints, diagrams, and home learning. Students can use it to access work covered in class in school, at home or on the go and complete home learning.

Parents can use some of the features of Google Classroom to help engage with and support students in their home learning. It is a free resource that can be accessed from any device connected to the internet - laptops, desktop computers, Chromebooks, tablets and mobile phones.

Accessing Google Classroom

Smartphones and tablets: download the free Google Classroom app Android devices iOS devices (iPhones, iPods and iPads)

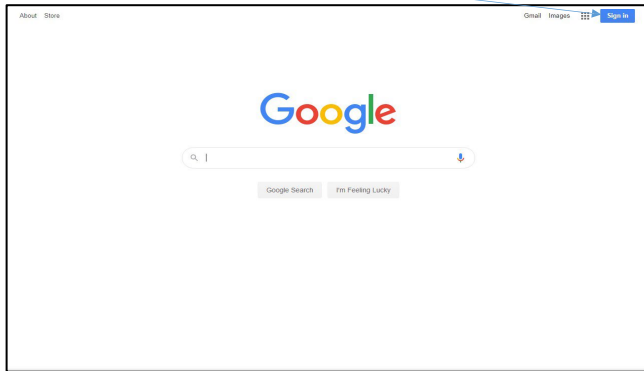
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Open the Play Store app <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Search for 'Google Classroom'• Tap 'Google Classroom'• Tap 'Install'	Open the App Store app <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Search for 'Google Classroom'• Tap 'Google Classroom'• Tap 'Get'

If students are accessing Google classroom from a mobile device, they should download the appropriate Google apps to make best use of the shared resources. The most useful Google apps are: Classroom, Calendar, Docs, Slides, Sheets and Drive. When learning is set online, it can be submitted directly within Google Classroom online without needing to be printed.

Computers and laptops: log in to Google Classroom

- Go to www.classroom.google.com
- Log in 'G Suite for Education' account as explained below.

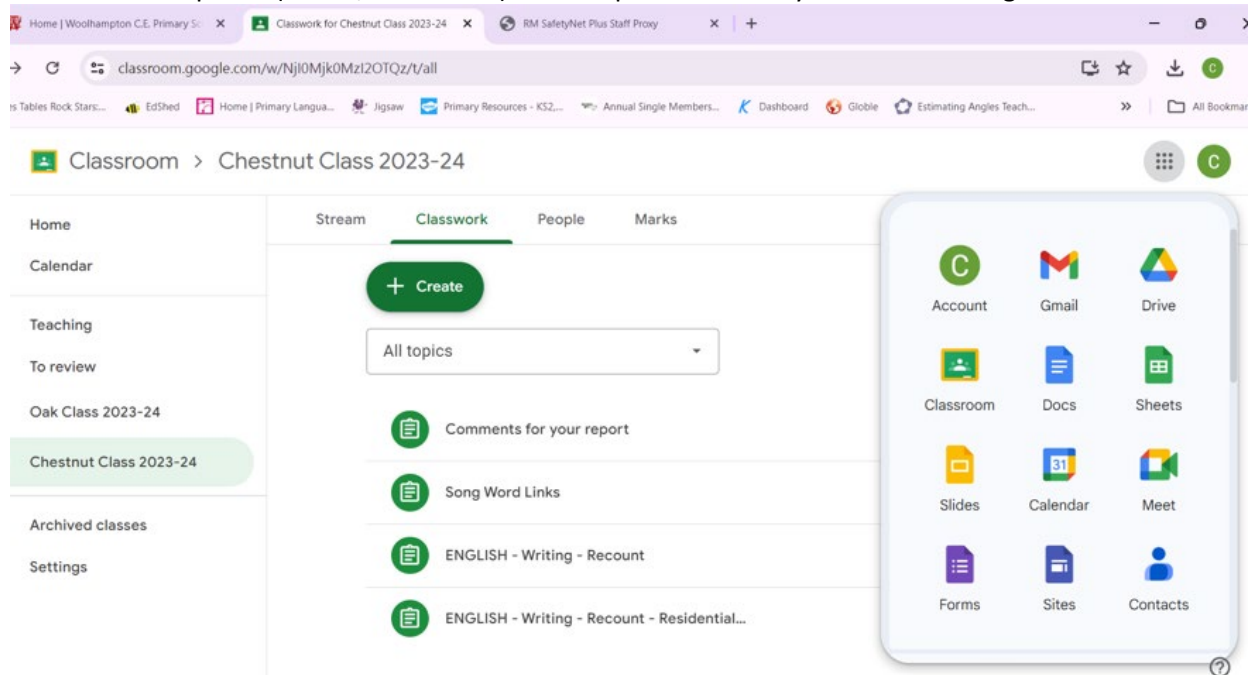
1. Open Google Chrome  and click the “sign in” button.



2. Children should sign in using their Woolhampton School Google account. It will be in the following format: firstname.surname@woolhamptonschool.org

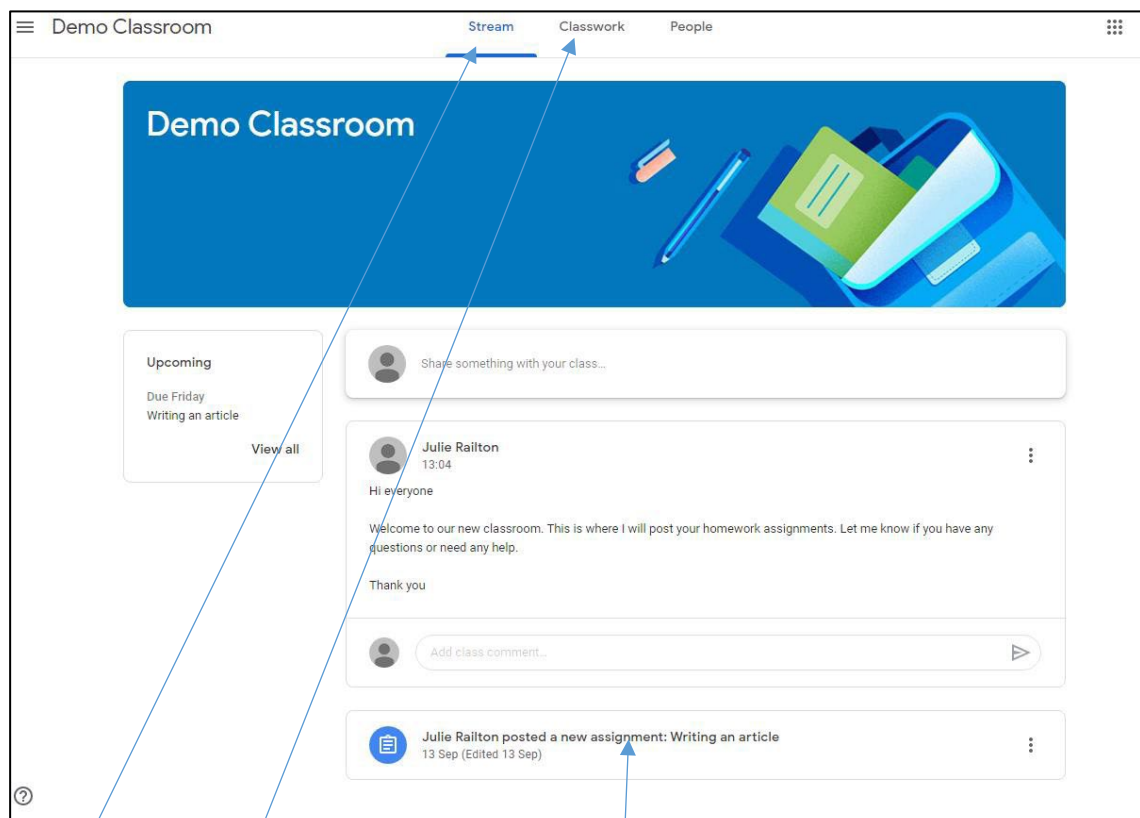
3. Click 'Next'
4. Enter their school Google password and click 'Next'

5. Click on the 9 squares (waffle/Rubix cube) in the top left. Here they will see the Google suit



They will then see all the classes they are a member of. If they are asked to join a class for the first time, they should click 'Join'. They can enter a classroom by clicking on its title.

6. Once they have entered a classroom they will see a range of features as explained below.



Stream is public for all members of the class to see. Teachers may write messages to the whole class on here and students can reply to them. Anything they write on the Stream page will be shared with all members of the class. Stream is also where they will see when their teacher has posted a new assignment or material file. They can open it here or in the Classwork section.

Classwork is where they will find work that has been set for them. You will see assignments and relevant resources, links or files that have been shared with them by their teacher. Only the teacher is able to edit the content on this page.