

# Parent Guide to Using Google Classroom

At Sherburn High, we will be using Google Classroom as our main homework platform, it will replace Show My Homework.

The intention of this document is to give you some information about Google Classroom: what it is, how students log in and how you can monitor homework setting.

## What is Google Classroom?



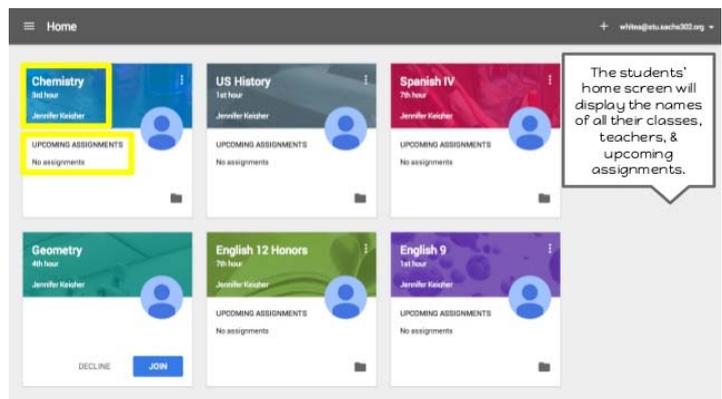
Google Classroom is a free Google App that aims to simplify creating, distributing and assessing learning in a paperless way. Teachers can use Google Classroom to send announcements to entire classes, share resources, lesson notes, PowerPoints, diagrams, and home learning.

Parents can use some of the features of Google Classroom to help engage with and support pupils 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 or mobile phones.

## Logging in to Google Classroom (for students)

Pupils can access Google Classroom using the mobile apps (Android and iOS), or via a web browser by visiting [www.classroom.google.com](http://www.classroom.google.com). They should sign in using their usual school login followed by @shs.starmat.uk. For example, if their school log in is 13john.smith their school email address is [13john.smith@shs.starmat.uk](mailto:13john.smith@shs.starmat.uk). Students will need to use their school password when prompted (the same password they use to log in on a school machine).

Once pupils have logged in, they will see the class overview page. From here they can see all the classes they are registered with, a summary of any work due and add new classes (requires a class code from their teacher). Clicking on a class will open that Classroom.



## Get Classroom email summaries (for guardians)

As a guardian, you can get email summaries about your student's activity in Classroom. Email summaries do not include grades.

In email summaries, you can review:

- Missing work—Work not turned in when the summary was sent.
- Upcoming work—Work that is due today and tomorrow (for daily emails) or that is due in the upcoming week (for weekly emails).
- Class activities—Announcements, assignments, and questions recently posted by teachers.



If there is no activity to report or if a teacher turns off email notifications, you might not get an email summary.

### Before you begin

You can get email summaries sent to any email address. However, to view or update email summary settings, you need a Google Account. With a Google Account, you can change the frequency of your emails, update your time zone, see the students connected to your account, and unsubscribe from email summaries. For details, go to [Create a Google Account](#).

If you unsubscribe from email summaries, you are still connected to a student as long as you have a Google Account. Otherwise, unsubscribing removes you as a guardian.

### To get email summaries

To get email summaries of your student's work, you must accept an email invitation from a teacher or administrator. You have 120 days to accept an invitation before it expires. You can unsubscribe from summaries or remove yourself as a guardian at any time.

The teacher or administrator emails you an invitation to join your student's class.

1. In your email program, open your email invitation.
2. Click Accept.
3. If you're not the guardian, click I'm Not The Guardian.
4. Click Accept
5. Click Accept to confirm.

When you accept an invitation, you and your student get an email confirmation.

Useful video links:

Google Classroom for Guardians - Tutorial

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VI9ofDHkIpE>

Google Classroom instructional videos for students (made by Sherburn High)

[https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/16\\_fMqGPRbJTJnNSR7eTx\\_E-ECOzhnMPb?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/16_fMqGPRbJTJnNSR7eTx_E-ECOzhnMPb?usp=sharing)