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Star Primary School

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Dear parents and carers,

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Translated versions are available on the school website.

Due to current Coronavirus measures in place, we have been working hard at adapting to the situation by delivering meaningful teaching and learning for pupils. This academic year, pupils will be accessing some of their learning through *Google Classroom*— a digital learning platform created by *Google*. Some learning will be set by teachers through the platform and pupils can complete their learning and submit it online to be responded to by school staff.

What is Google Classroom?

Google Classroom is a free application, created by Google, which allows teachers and pupils to communicate, and can be used to organise and manage learning and assignments. It forms part of *G Suite for Education* which is used in many education settings as it enables distance learning. It has an uncomplicated and user-friendly interface that will help you manage your child's learning at home at this challenging time.

What do you need to do?

You will have received a Google Classroom Support Pack via Parentmail. These can be also be viewed and downloaded from the school website by clicking on the links on the Google Classroom page:

- Google Classroom | Getting started- A step-by-step guide of how to use Google Classroom and submit learning.
- Google Classroom Pupil Use Agreement An agreement that outlines the expectations of pupils when using the online learning platform.
- G Suite for Education Privacy Information Explains specific privacy policy with regard to G Suite for Education and use by primary schools.

Please read these support packs carefully in preparation. Then, login using your child's google drive login for the first instalment of your child's learning. You should then check the platform regularly to see if any new learning has been set for your child. Some pieces of learning might have a deadline for submission; children should be encouraged to complete the learning by the given dates.

If you encounter any difficulties, please contact your child's class teacher or email the school office info@star.newham.sch.uk.

Best regards,
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