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Dear Parent/Guardian

## **Setting Homework on Google Classroom**

I'm pleased to announce that from January 2020 we will start to set homework for all year groups on Google Classroom. This is a trial which will run for the remainder of the academic year.

The move to Google Classroom does not mean that all homework will be online, it simply means that the homework task will be recorded online, accessible to students. This is a free and secure service providing a safe way for us to connect, share content, access homework, participate in discussions and receive class information.

Setting homework in this way will ensure your son/daughter has clarity over what is being asked of them, and in many cases, it will also include resources to assist them with the work.



Google Classroom can be accessed outside of school on either an app or via the website <a href="https://classroom.google.com">https://classroom.google.com</a>. If your son/daughter has access to a smartphone or tablet we would recommend downloading the free app (all platforms are supported).

Please can I ask that your son/daughter tests their access to Google Classroom at home by Wednesday 18 December. Please remind them that they must login using their school Google Classroom email address and password, not any existing Google accounts. The same is true to access Google from any web browser.

## **Parental Access**

Early in January, parents of students in Yr7 – Yr11 will receive a further letter, providing an opportunity to opt in to receiving email summaries of the homework set on Google Classroom.

As part of this trial we would like to collect your parental feedback (student feedback will be collected in school). If you have any questions, come across any issues, or wish to provide general feedback on the use of Google Classroom please email <a href="mailto:homework@maidenerleghschool.co.uk">homework@maidenerleghschool.co.uk</a>.

Yours sincerely

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