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Dear Parents / Carers,

After the Easter break, homework will no longer be communicated through **dB Primary** and the school will instead be using **Tapestry** in Reception and **Google Classroom** in all other year groups.

Parents/carers in Reception will already be familiar with **Tapestry** and will find new homework under **Planned Activities** on the **Activities** tab each week.

**Google Classroom** will be familiar to pupils in Years 5 and 6 as they have been using their accounts in Computing lessons for some time. **Pupils in Years 1 - 4** have been set up with new school Google accounts and log-in details are being sent home today. These details have been stuck into their **Reading Records** (or are on a loose piece of paper if they did not have their Reading Records with them today). You can use the following links to log in for the first time.

Year 1	<a href="https://classroom.google.com/c/NjY3NjU1ODYzNDA0?cjc=pcbbqgr">https://classroom.google.com/c/NjY3NjU1ODYzNDA0?cjc=pcbbqgr</a>
Year 2	<a href="https://classroom.google.com/c/NjY3NjU1ODQ5MzEw?cjc=r5bqjy6">https://classroom.google.com/c/NjY3NjU1ODQ5MzEw?cjc=r5bqjy6</a>
Year 3	<a href="https://classroom.google.com/c/NjY3NjU1Mjg3OTUx?cjc=zjmtm5q">https://classroom.google.com/c/NjY3NjU1Mjg3OTUx?cjc=zjmtm5q</a>
Year 4	<a href="https://classroom.google.com/c/NjY3NjU0NTUyMDQ1?cjc=rdj2fwu">https://classroom.google.com/c/NjY3NjU0NTUyMDQ1?cjc=rdj2fwu</a>

We are asking for your support in helping all pupils in Years 1-4 log in to Google Classroom at some point over the Easter break. There is nothing they need to do on there yet, this will simply mean that they will be ready when new homework is set in the first week back.

**Google Classroom** is used by most secondary schools so using it at St Catherine's prepares pupils well for the transition when they leave. With a Google log-in, pupils have access to a suite of free Google apps which they can use in school and at home:

- Google Classroom
- Google Drive
- Google Docs
- Google Slides
- Google Sheets

The pupil accounts have a particular set of security settings to reflect the fact that the system is being used by a child - they have a much higher security setting than our staff for example. Pupils are not able to send or receive emails. Pupils can share work with others within @stcathprimary.co.uk - the school's Google domain but will not be able to do so with people who are not part of our school community. Another benefit to the school of adopting Google Classroom is that it is free to use.

Attached to this email is a **Google Classroom Guide** which tells you a little bit about its different components. In the first week back after the Easter break, on the **18<sup>th</sup> of April at 3.20pm in the hall**, Mr Croghan will hold a **Google Classroom Support Workshop** for parents/carers who are struggling to get their child logged on or find the new homework for that week.

Do not hesitate to get in touch if you need any support.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Croghan

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