

Dear Parents/Guardians and Students,

We appreciate your support in helping to bring some continuity to your child's learning at home. This is obviously an unknown and stressful time for everyone so please just go slowly and spend some quality time together talking, learning and playing. As you are aware student holidays have been brought forward starting today, online learning will not take place until Wednesday 15th of April. Please use this time to connect with your family, have conversations around the new ways of learning for now and use the following information to ensure your child is ready for online home learning in Term 2.

Home learning will be continued through the use of 'Google Classrooms' with instruction and teacher feedback given. You will need to download the following Apps (if they have not already done so at school) onto a device:

- Google Classroom

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- See Saw - Individual codes will be sent home. A good backup to submit work if needed
- Epic - Individual codes to log in -

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During each learning day, the Grade 6 team will be available between 10-12pm for quick responses to any learning questions or clarifications. This can be done through any online communication portal that teachers, students and parents have access to such as Google Classroom or Compass. Outside of the allocated time frame we will be monitoring Google Classroom for any student work, questions, and to give feedback. We will endeavour to respond to any emails or queries in a timely manner. Please reach out to talk through any issues that arise or for learning support.

By the 15th of April, we will send out some more information around what student online learning will look like for Grade 6 students each day and our expectations of online learning. We understand this will look a little bit different for everyone and we will do our best to make it as smooth as possible.

Thanks so much for your understanding and we hope to see everyone back happy and healthy as soon as possible.

The Grade 6 Teaching Team

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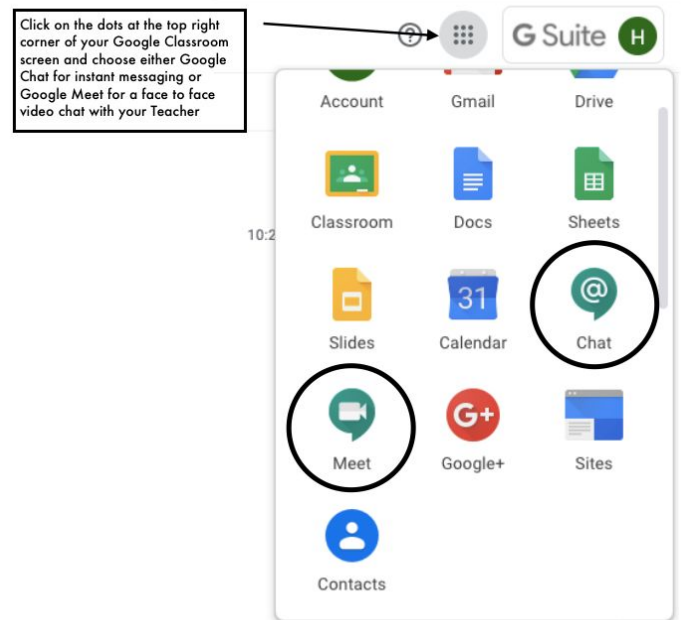
The Grade 6 team hopes you had a lovely break and spent some quality family time together. In this letter we will outline what home learning will look like each week for Grade 6 students and some expectations. We are all working on how to best navigate this new approach to learning. This is a time where we need to be flexible and patient with one another as there may be some changes along the way. We are open to feedback from students and parents on how to improve this process and make it as smooth as possible to improve each student's learning.

Learning and Communication Platforms

During this time, as you are already aware we will be using Google Classroom to deliver lessons and provide feedback for students. Your child should have this program/application set up on their device and signed in using their **school email**. If you are having any issues with this process, please contact your child's teacher through compass and we will figure out how to get them set up.

We have set up Google Chats which is an instant messenger program connected to Google classrooms in order to provide timely feedback and answer students questions as quickly as possible. It is important to note that students should only use this program to communicate with their teacher or during group activities assigned by teachers.

Google Meet is another program linked to Google classroom that will be used throughout the week. It is a face to face video program that allows teachers to support students through their learning and welfare. It also allows teachers to view students working and provide better explanations or feedback as we can view where they may have gone wrong and it also provides a platform for face to face conferencing if required. (please see the image to the right on how and where to find these programs)



It is crucial that all students use their school login details for all Google formats to encourage a safe online community.

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What will a week of online learning look like for Grade 6?

A weekly timetable has been created that closely aligns with our students timetable from school. Our aim is to keep things as similar as possible to our normal school day to allow students to stay in a good routine and make it feel a bit more normal. Each day will consist of their Reading ,Writing and Maths as well as Mindfulness on chosen days. This is something that is factored into our timetable but students are able to engage with mindfulness each day if they desire through applications such as Smiling Mind and Calm. Throughout the week they will be given activities to complete from the specialist teachers (Art, Indonesina and Music), there will be some Health and Physical Education activities and the CBL challenges. The Grade 6 teachers will also try to include some unique home experiences where we can all connect in different ways and stay in contact.

Session	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Teacher contact time 10am - 12pm Monday - Friday.					
SPELLING - 10 minutes a day (one sort)					
1	Reading	Writing	CBL	Reading	P.E
2	Writing	Maths	Maths	Writing	P.E
3	Maths	Specialist chat time 11-1pm	Reading	Maths	Reading Specialist chat time (2pm)
4	Activity grid (Mindfulness)	CBL	Writing	CBL	Maths
5	Activity Grid (STEM)	Activity Grid (P.E)	Activity grid (Mindfulness)	Activity Grid (Free Choice)	Writing

As home learning will run the duration of Term 2, we wanted to make a suggestion for students to follow a set routine during the week. This can be done by following the above table as well as the suggested dot points below. This message has also come from the Premier of Victoria, Daniel Andrews as it allows students to feel more connected to their schooling and bring an element of normality whilst learning at home. We understand that each family will have a daily routine that works best for them and we know you will be doing

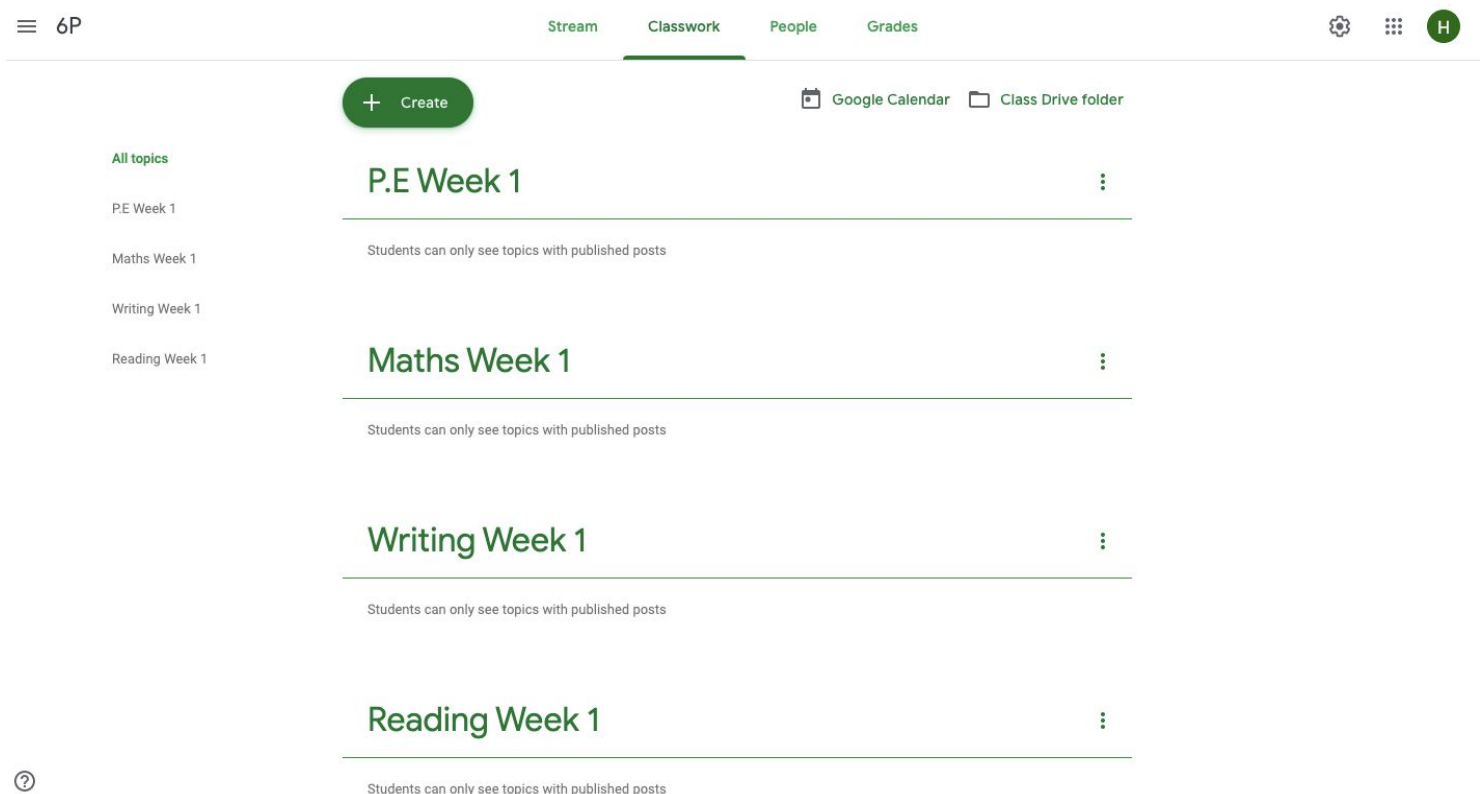
your best to support your child's learning.

We encourage all students to;

- Choose a designated area in your home where you will be accessible
- set a time each day to start school
- set a time for snack and lunch
- time to go outdoors and get some fresh air

The lessons will be uploaded daily with a specific outline of the day broken down into subject areas. Students can find these outlines on their individual Google Classroom (6P, 6S, 6T)

An example of what this looks like can be seen below.



Expectations

We have discussed what home learning will look like and how this will be different for every student. Our expectations are that students attempt to keep up to date with their learning by completing a Reading, Writing, Maths and Activity grid lesson each day. Throughout the week students will also undertake their Specialist and CBL lessons. When they complete these activities throughout the day is up to them and is flexible as we understand this will look different for each family.

We will be tracking all students progress and will be checking in to see how they are coping with their online learning. If at any stage we feel any concerns about their progress or

wellbeing, we will make contact with parents and to discuss how we can best support them. We ask that you also send us any information that will allow us to provide the best care and support for your child through this process.

We understand this is a lot of information to take in and that students may find it a bit overwhelming at first, but please remind them that this is new for everyone, it is not going to be perfect the first time and the process will become much smoother the more we engage with this way of learning.

Please enjoy the final few days of your holidays and the Easter celebrations with your families. We are excited to see the students online next week and hear all about the break and the creative ways everyone stayed entertained.

All the best

The Grade 6 Team