

# GILLESPIE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## VIRTUAL SCIENCE CLUB

Dear Parents/Carers,

The current Year 6 Science Committee and I have set up a Virtual Science Club. The committee members have had a go at using it and we think it is ready to be trialed with a wider audience. Running a virtual club means there will be no limit on the number of students that can participate and it will allow students from different bubbles to share their ideas online. Activities can be completed on any day or at any time of day. It is my hope that a Virtual Science Club will also support science home learning and will enrich pupils' engagement with science.

We will be using Google Classroom as the digital platform for our club. If your child wants to participate, they will need to follow these steps:

- log in to their Google Classroom account
- go to classroom
- press the + symbol
- paste in this link **inur6nk**
- press join

They will be able to view the first two activities posted by Megan Begley but may need to scroll down past other posts to see them. There will be one aimed at Nursery and Reception children and one aimed at children in Years 1 - 6. Your child can then respond by clicking on the 'announce something to your class' option where they will be able to upload what they do at home, whether it be written comments, pictures, videos or photos by clicking on the image of the paperclip. Remember, that whatever is uploaded will be seen by anyone else that has joined the club and therefore needs to be appropriate. **This is not an opportunity for pupils to send personal messages to each other.** I will be checking the posts regularly. In keeping with safeguarding guidelines, images of or videos of pupils **should not be shared** beyond the Google Classroom without permission. Please do contact me if you require further information.

I am very excited about the club and really look forward to seeing the pupils' contributions online.

Yours sincerely,

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