

LAKEMBA LINK

Term 3 – Week 1



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Important Date

Wednesday 28 th July to Friday 30 th July	Stage 3 Camp Cancelled
Friday 17 th September	Last Day of Term 3
Monday 4 th October	Public Holiday
Tuesday 5 th October	First day of Term 4 for everyone
Thursday 16 th December	Last day of school for 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all well and settling in to a Learning from Home routine. We are extremely grateful for your support as we keep ourselves and others safe by following NSW Health guidelines, staying at home and not having friends and family visit.

We know and understand that Learning from Home can be difficult at times particularly if you are trying to help more than one child with their learning. We are happy as long as our students are doing their best.

We know that not every student can be working online. That is why we provide paper copies of the work. They are available at the front of the school every day between 9am and 2.30pm. The online work is the same as the printed work. Some students may not be able to complete all their work online. They can use the paper copies to complete what the rest of their work.

When things seem difficult it is OK to ask for help. Mrs Patterson, our school counsellor, has put together some ideas that you may find helpful. Her letter is included in this newsletter.

Thank you again for supporting everyone in our community by following NSW Health guidelines.

Kind regards,

Jann Price

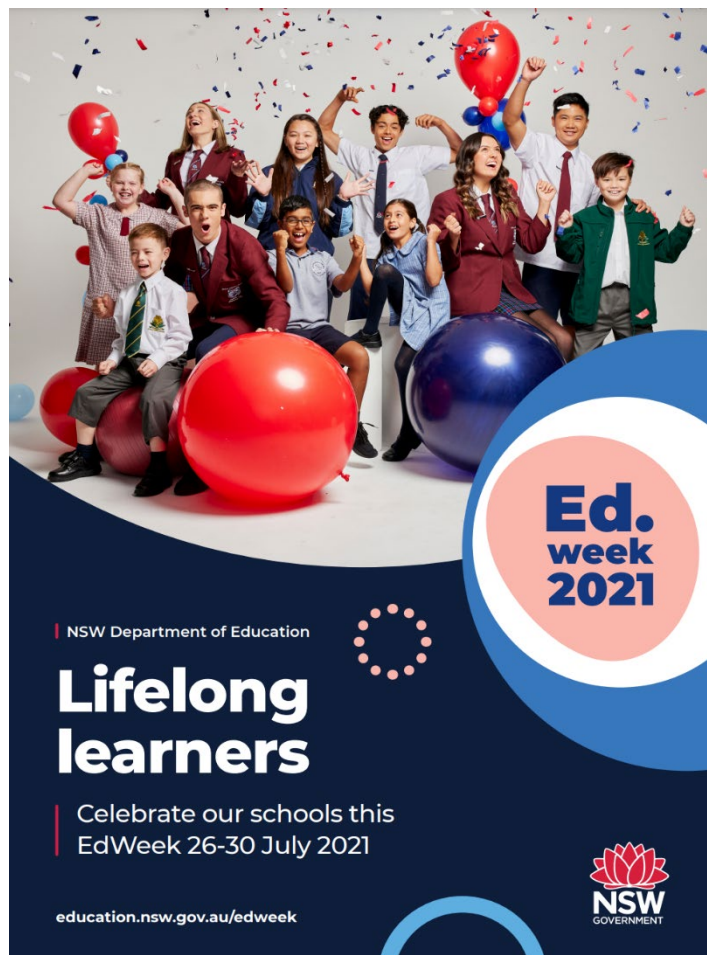
Staffing

The Department of Education in association with NSW Health, have restricted schools in the Canterbury Bankstown Local Government Area (LGA) to severely restrict the number of staff working on site at any time. Currently we regularly have three staff members on site at any one time. This includes teachers and office staff. Please be patient if it takes a while for your phone call to be answered. We are doing our best to assist everyone.

Google Classroom

Online learning for our students is via Google Classroom. Directions to assist our families and students to connect to Google Classroom are included in this newsletter.

Education Week



NSW Public Schools celebrate Education Week from July 26 to July 30.

Education Week is an annual celebration of NSW public education and a chance to celebrate the achievements of schools, students and learning communities.

The theme for Education Week for 2021 is **Lifelong Learners**.

Education is a lifelong journey. It begins before a child enters an early childhood setting, progresses to primary and secondary school, and continues their learning journey into adulthood, learning a trade, entering tertiary education or the workforce.

Continuous learning is critical for success throughout life and everyone can be a lifelong learner.

This year's celebrations start with a NSW Department virtual live stream launch from 10am on Monday 26 July.

Visit the [Education Week](https://www.education.nsw.gov.au/edweek) website to connect with virtual events this week.



Can I read during home learning?

YES. You can use e-Resources.

How can I access the e-Resources?

through my local library (Canterbury Bankstown library and knowledge centres). **The membership to the library is free and you can apply online or over the phone on 0297899419.**

If you are already a member please use the barcode number behind your membership card to access these e-Resources

(<https://www.cbcity.nsw.gov.au/community/library-knowledge-centres/eresources>).

The eLibrary is convenient and easy to use. It's available 24/7, and books are delivered straight to your computer, smart phone, iPad, tablet, iPod or MP3 player.

Other than our local public library students can read and listen to books for free online.

Story box library which is free and full of interesting stories
<https://storyboxlibrary.com.au/>

Story line online is a wonderful website which features many books read aloud

<https://www.storylineonline.net/>

Audio stories has a collection of stories, including titles across six different languages, that will help students continue learning <https://stories.audible.com/start-listen>

Open library is also a free online library that features some great children's (and adults) classic books
<https://openlibrary.org/>

At this time many companies are providing free subscriptions and resources for families. Many of these are being shared on social media, For example: Audible <https://www.audible.com.au/> and Scholastics Learn from Home <https://scholastic.com.au/education/education-home/learn-at-home>.

Many authors and other celebrities from around the world are also reading to children as well as uploading videos of how to draw and giving writing tips. A simple google search should assist you in finding updated videos. Some examples include, Mo Williams, Oliver Jeffers and Josh Gad(Olaf)

If you need further assistance please let me know via Google classroom.

Stay safe.

Ms Pogalva
Teacher Librarian

School as Community Centre News

Hello everyone! Hope you are keeping safe and warm at home during this difficult time.

We are all so disappointed that we are back in this situation after being back to almost normal again recently. Hopefully, the situation will improve soon if we all stay home and follow the guidelines. Make sure you check the NSW Health site for the latest locations as there have been several in Lakemba in the last week. Go to www.health.nsw.gov.au.

As you will know, the Centre is closed during this time and all groups are either cancelled or postponed.

Play 2 Learn Playgroup: Families who are part of this group should have all received a call and an invitation to be part of our Whatsapp group by now. If you have missed out for any reason let one of us know and we will join you up. Save the Children will soon be posting regular videos of play activities for your kids as well as hosting *Chai and Chat* sessions for parents.

Emergency Relief: Many families will be finding this time very difficult financially if you have lost work. There are a number of local organisations providing support with food hampers and vouchers, help with energy and chemist bills, phone and internet costs. The NSW Government also has assistance packages for individuals and businesses. Contact www.service.nsw.gov.au.

- Metro Assist: All appointments are to be via phone consultation Bankstown office 8709 0200 or Campsie office 97893744.
- Prosper Project Campsie: Call 0404 787571 to check supply.
- Muslim Women's Association: Call 9750 6916 to check availability and make an appointment.
- Greek Welfare Centre: Lakemba St. Call 9740 6022.

If you would like more information regarding these or other agencies, please email me at lakembasacc@gmail.com and I will send you details.

Keeping children happy and occupied indoors everyday is difficult for everyone. Hope you can find time to read, sing and play with your child for some part of every day. It really helps! I will be posting a story or song on the Centre Facebook page every Wednesday.
#readandsingwithmeathome

Vaccines: Covid-19 vaccines are FREE for everyone in Australia, even if you are not an Australian citizen or permanent resident. This includes people without a Medicare card, overseas visitors, international students, migrant workers and asylum seekers.
www.health.gov.au/initiatives-and-programs/covid-19-vaccines/

All the information about community programs are posted on our Facebook page.

Go to <https://www.facebook.com/LakembaSaCC/>



Ring Wendi on 9759 4061 for more information about any programs.

Find us on:



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Dear parents and caregivers,

A range of wellbeing resources is available to students at Lakemba Public School during learning from home.

The School Counsellor, Mrs Nicole Patterson, will continue providing counselling and support services to students via phone, email or online platforms on **Tuesdays and Fridays**.

Mrs Patterson can schedule a phone consultation or via online platforms if you would like additional support for your child. Please ask your child's class teacher to refer your child to the School Counsellor, and Mrs Patterson will contact you to schedule a time.

There is also a range of 24/7 online supports available for students.

Kids Helpline - 1800 55 1800 Provides specialised help for young people aged 5 to 25 years and is staffed by professional counsellors. <https://kidshelpline.com.au/>

Beyond Blue- 1300 22 4636 Provides education to support children in learning about their emotions and learning how to solve problems. <https://healthyfamilies.beyondblue.org.au/oge-6-12>

Crisis Support

The NSW Mental Health Access Line- 1800 011 511 The NSW Mental Health Line is a state-wide telephone number that puts you in touch with your local mental health service.

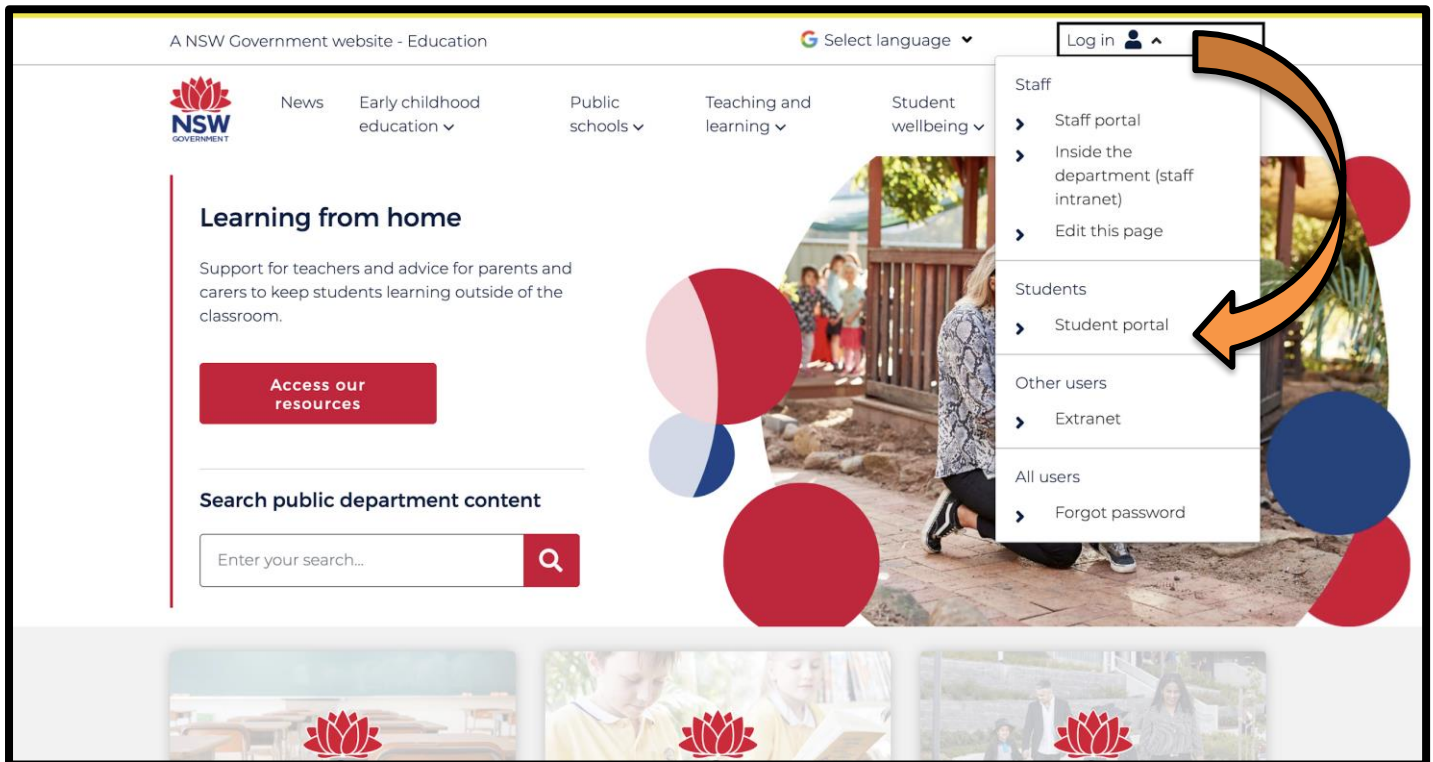
Yours Sincerely,

N. Patterson

Nicole Patterson
School Counsellor
NSW Department of Education

A Parent's/Carer's Guide to Google Classroom

1. Type the following URL into your internet browser: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/>
2. Press the '**Log in**' button in the top right corner. Press on '**Student Portal**' to sign in.



3. You will find your log in information in your learning packs. **Please remember this information is confidential and should not be shared with anyone else.** Use your student portal username and password to log in. If you have a problem accessing this information in your learning packs please contact the school.

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Login with your DoE account

User ID

Enter your user ID

Example: jane.citizen1

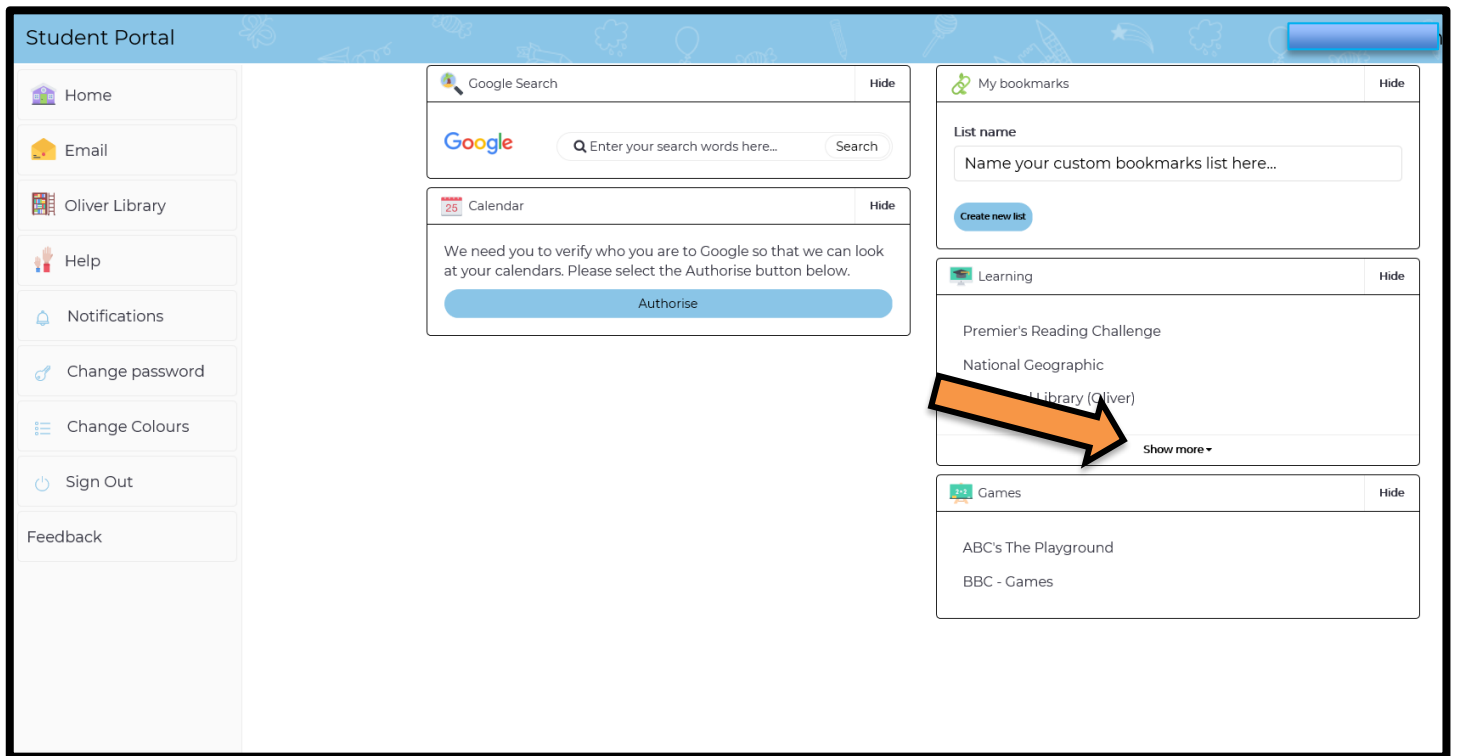
Password

Enter your password

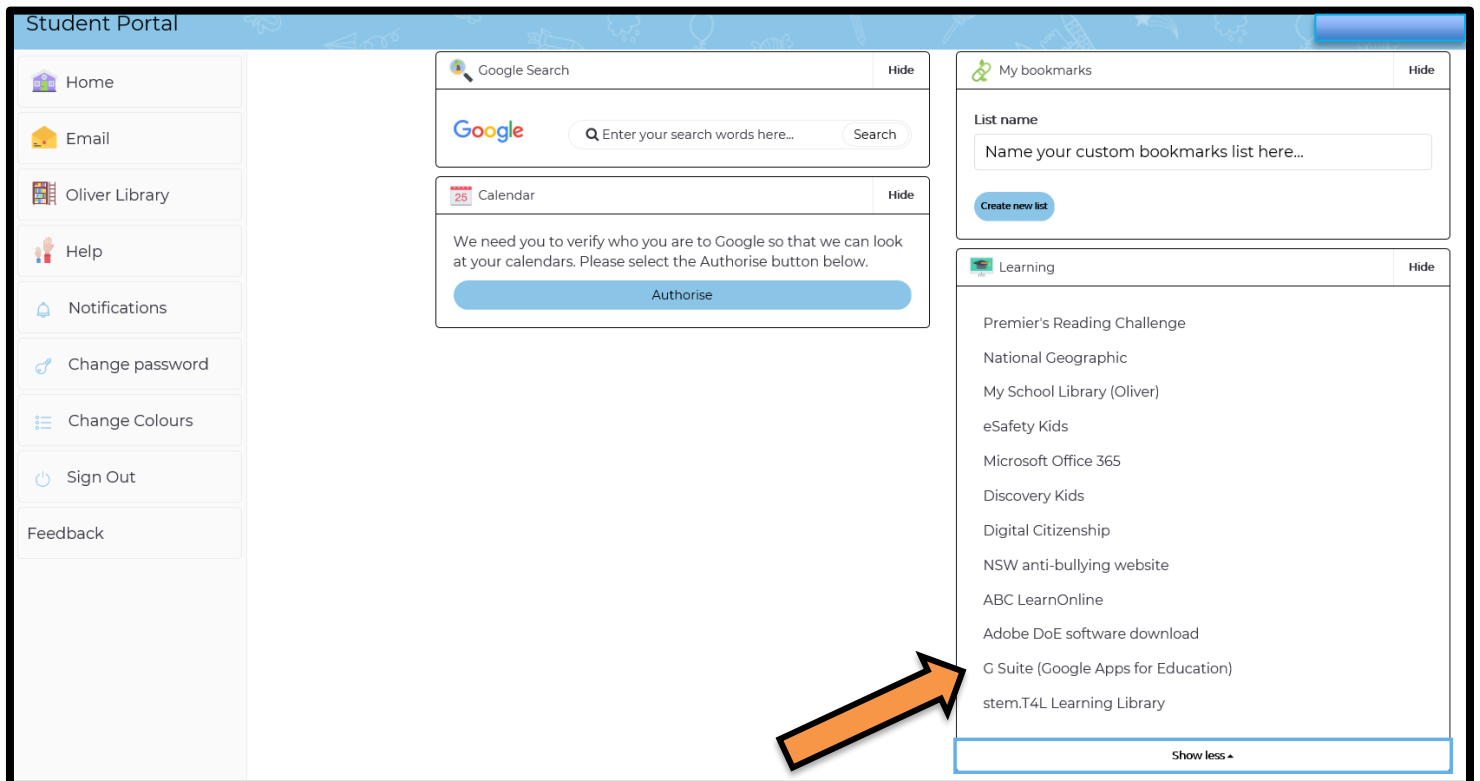
Log in

[Forgot your password?](#)

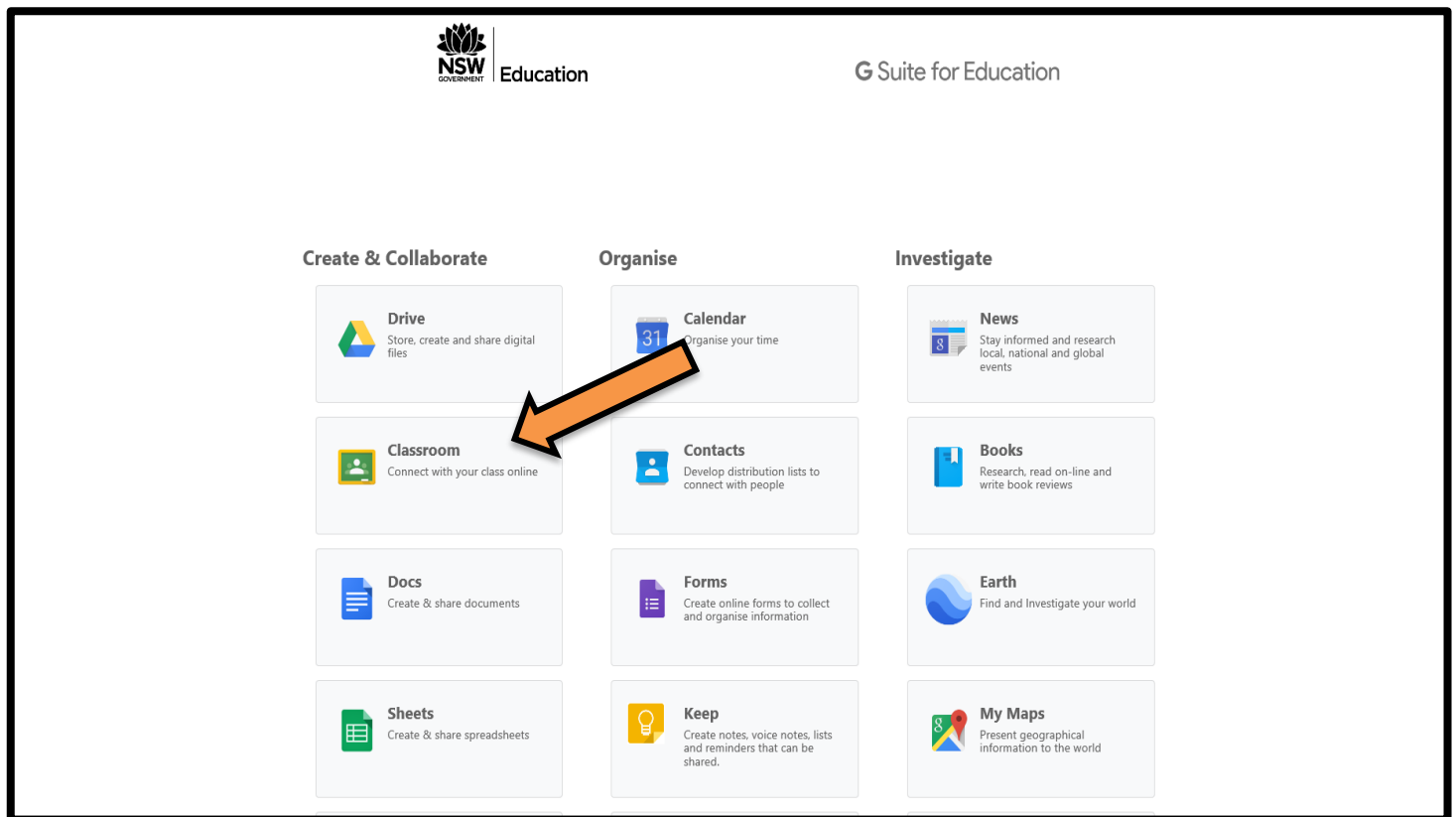
4. Once signed in, you will be taken to the student portal home page. On the right-hand side, you will see a section titled '**Learning.**' Press on the '**show more**' button to drop down and see more options.



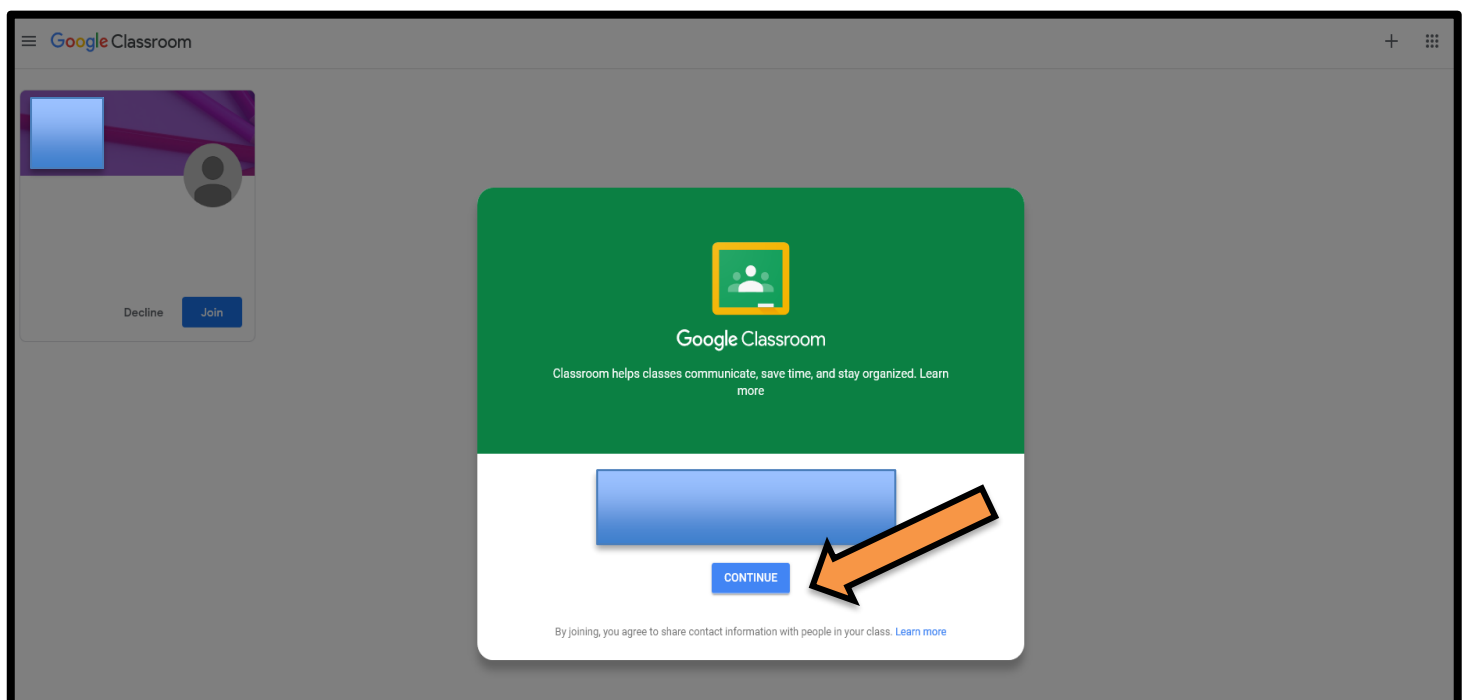
5. When you have opened up the show more button you will see more options to choose from. You should see '**G Suite: Google Apps for Education.**' Click on this button.



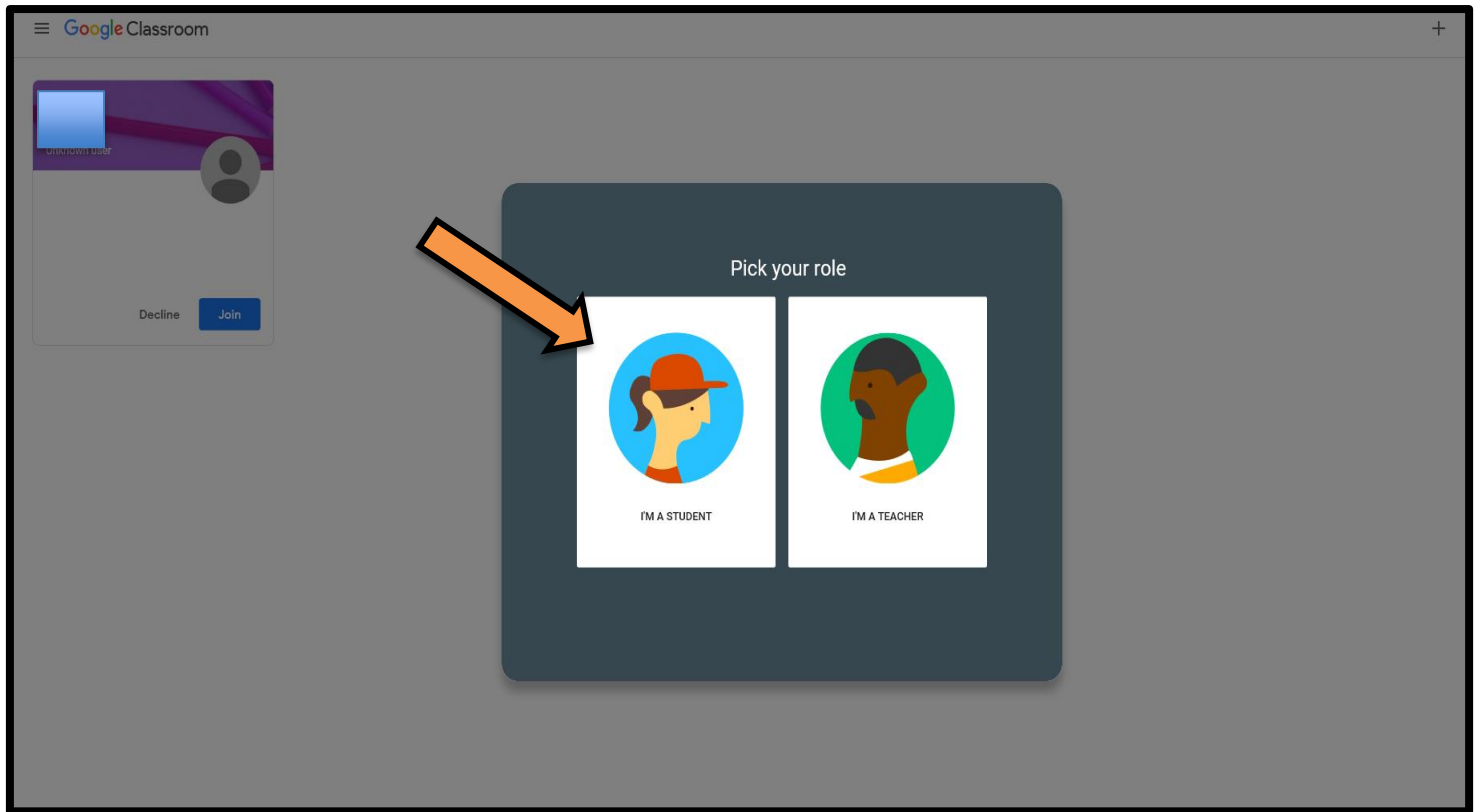
6. When **G Suite for Education** is open you will find **Google Classroom** on the left-hand side. Press on **Classroom**.



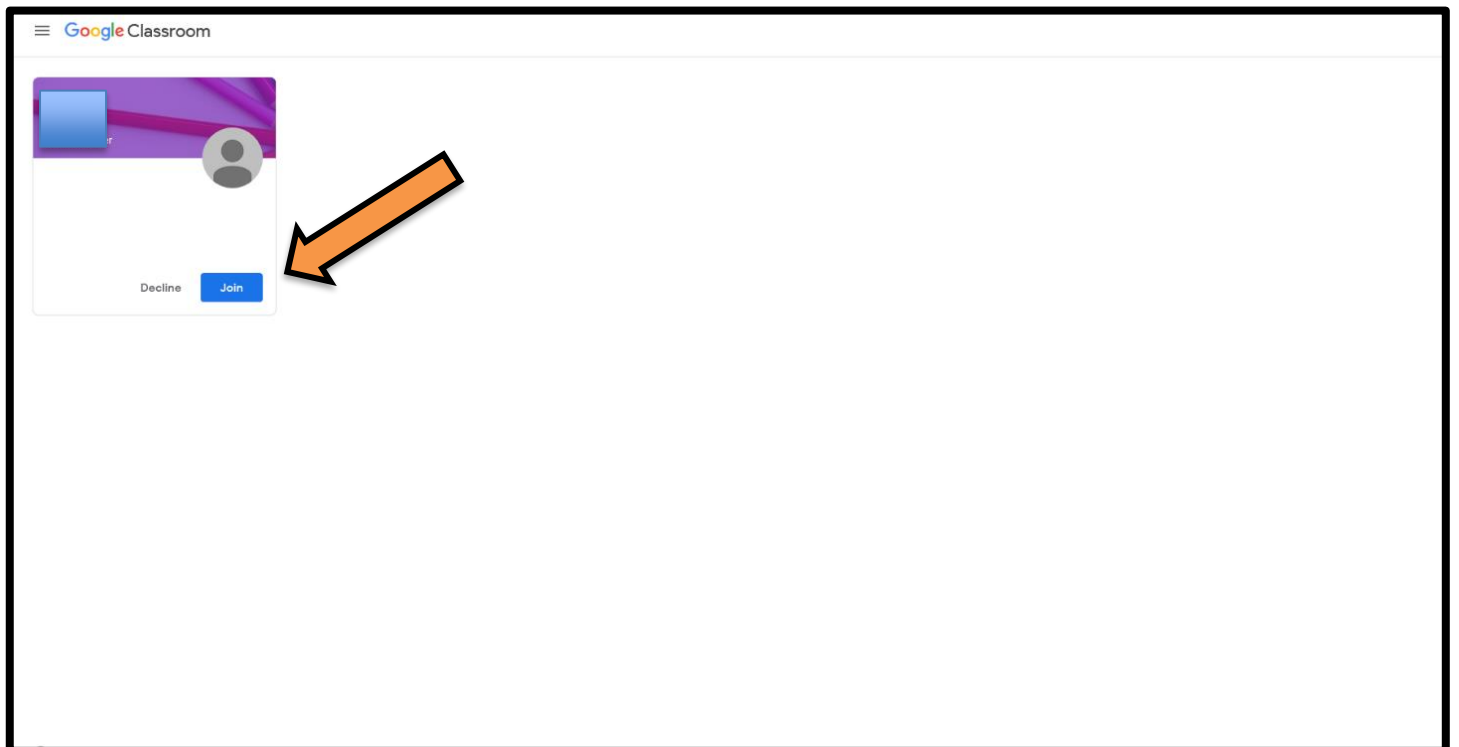
7. When you open Google Classroom, you will need to check that you are using the correct user. Press continue if this is your account.



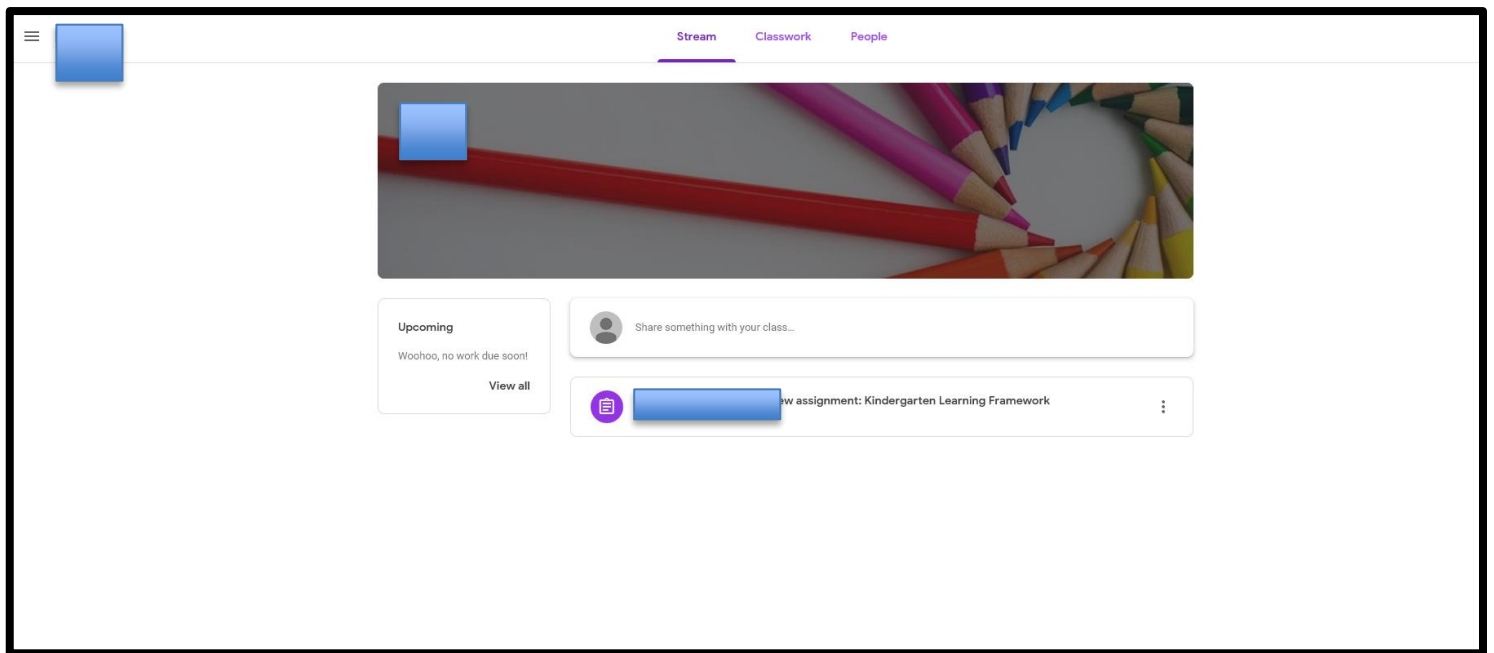
8. Pick your role. You are a **student**.



9. Your teacher will have invited you to join your classroom. You will find your class on the right-hand side. Click join.



10. When you join the classroom, you will be taken straight to the stream. This is where you can see what activities and learning frameworks the teacher has posted.



Please ensure you read and discuss the Google Classroom protocols with your child to help create a safe and supportive learning environment.

We hope these instructions make it easy and simple for your child to access Google Classroom from home.