

# 5 top tips for helping parents to support their child with self-study through using Google Guardians

Self-study can be daunting for many students. Some students may not understand what they need to do to complete their self-study whilst others may find organisation a struggle. Here are some ways to help you discuss self-study with your child.



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## Sit down together and look at Google Classroom

Looking at Google Classroom for the first time can be confusing. Sitting down with your child and asking them to explain what is posted onto Google Classroom is a great way to help your child with their self-study.

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## Ask if they understand

Students sometime will not complete their self-study because they don't understand what they have been asked to do. Asking your child if they understand what they need to do can help relieve some of their worries. If you need more clarification, then you can privately message the class teacher through Google Classroom.

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## Use the To-Do List to help with organisation

With up to 15 different classes, the Google Classroom homepage can be difficult to see what self-study is due the following day. Using the To-Do List can help students to organise themselves and ensure they are completing their self-study in the correct order. Clicking on the 3 lines in the top left corner can bring up the To-Do List.

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## Have they "turned in" their work?

Once your child has completed their self-study, they will need to ensure that they have attached their work to the assignment otherwise their class teacher will not be able to see it. Once they have attached their work, they need to press the "Turn in" button so that it appears completed on their To-Do List.

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## Checking their summary

Google Classroom allows parents and guardians to receive emails with a summary of their child's Google Classroom activity. The summaries give detail on what self-study has been submitted, what self-study is missing, what self-study has been set and what self-study is due in. You can choose to receive a daily summary or a weekly summary.