How to set up a Scratch account for your child

Dear parent or guardian,

At Code Club, young people will be using a range of free coding applications to learn to program. One of these is Scratch (scratch.mit.edu), a globally popular block-based programming language developed by MIT to help children learn the basics of coding by making fun projects.

We would like your child to be able to save and share the Scratch projects they create. To do this, they will need access to a Scratch account. Could you please work with your child to create a Scratch account for them. They will need access to an email address to create an account. If they do not have an email address of their own, you can create their account using your email address.

To create their account, follow these steps:

1. Go to **scratch.mit.edu/join**.

2. Create a username and password. The username should not include the child's real name. Make note of the username and password.

3. On the next screens, enter your child's details into the form as requested.

4. Enter your email address.

5. Verify the account by clicking the link in the email that will be sent to the address you provided. This will allow your child to share their projects on Scratch. This is also the email address that will be used to reset the account password if it is forgotten.

Please ensure that your child has the username and password so they can log in during their Code Club session. Please be aware that we will not be able to reset their password for them, should they forget it.

You can learn more about Scratch at **scratch.mit.edu/parents** and see their terms at **scratch.mit.edu/terms_of_use**. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at:

Thank you,

Club leader,

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