An argument for using both Edmodo and Classroom

I am also a Middle School multimedia teacher but do have 1:1 and a lab. Think about this, Edmodo for backboard configuration: announcements, agendas, quick polls for checking for understanding and most importantly for communication with and between students.

Google Classroom is great for passing out work, share class multimedia presentations and receiving in progress and completed work that you can see from inception to conclusion

Edmodo has compatibility with both Google and Microsoft, which I see as a huge bonus. Our District Board of Education has insisted on keeping Microsoft as a viable program along with utilizing Google products.

Both programs have IPhone/IPad and Android apps which make them both very portable. If your students have GAFE but not email capability, then Edmodo becomes a very convenient quick way to communicate with students as I get email notification of each post. best part is I have a record when some of my 7th graders decide to something unusual, which is always a possibility. I can then go thru my emails and see who did it and show the whole class how i figured it out. It stops those students who think they are too smart for me.

 Finally, with Edmodo you can easily place them in working groups that can share work and create class presentations and shared documents. they both have grading components that are compatible with my district grading program by the simple use of Excel CSV files that I can export and then merge and import, once all work has been assessed.