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Class Dojo

Dear Parents and Carers,

Further to the letter sent out earlier this week, please find your personal code to access Class Dojo and link to your child's account. Dojo is a whole school communication, engagement and behaviour management tool. It is available online or through a free app that can be downloaded to your phone and/or other device. The portal is interactive and highly user friendly. Class Dojo will replace both Seesaw and Tapestry. Multiple accounts can be created for an individual child. For example, both mum and dad can have separate accounts for one child.



By creating and linking to your child's class, you will receive updates including texts, photographs and videos from their class teacher about activities delivered in school. These are available on a class basis, but there is also a whole school story page. From here, we will share details of school events and news along with newsletters and updates.

Class Dojo is completely secure, when activated, all accounts are approved in school, meaning that only you can see updates and receive notifications about your child. To ensure this, it is vital that you do not share your access code with other families. Class Dojo is an American based company, for this reason I need to make you aware that personal details stored in the system like other are kept on their systems. This is the same for other websites like Amazon and social media sites. We have used Class Dojo in my other school, Hartside for several years and many school do so across the county. All data has remained secure and it is universally adored by both staff and parents.

As you know, we award castle points which are linked to our school character traits: Respect, Working Together, Resilience, Aiming High and Honesty – Each time your child is awarded a castle point, you will receive a notification from the app.

Furthermore, joining your child's class will give you the ability to message their class teacher directly within working hours. If you need any support or have questions about your child's progress this can be addressed quickly and effectively. Attachments can also be added to messages, so that letters, files and photographs can be shared quickly and securely. We hope you will understand that class teachers might not be able to respond to messages instantly due to their teaching commitments, but we are confident that providing parents and teachers with the ability to communicate in this way will be a positive step.

Over time, we will be expanding the way we use Class Dojo to include homework and other class activities. For now, we are keen to get started by making sure all parents are connected their child's account and can receive updates. If

you have any questions, queries or concerns about linking to Class Dojo, please do not hesitate to contact me. Equally, if you would prefer your child not to be featured on Class Dojo and not to link to their account then please let me know by contacting the school.

Yours sincerely

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