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Letter to parents -Class Dojo

Dear Parents and Carers,

We wanted to explore how teachers, parents and children could communicate through a safe platform and prior to Christmas we trialled Class Dojo with several classes. The feedback from parents and teachers has been extremely positive and therefore we will be rolling this out to the whole school from the start of the Summer Term. Please see the attached link for more information.

<https://classdojo.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/articles/360040922371-ClassDojo-for-Remote-Learning>

The platform is secure and complies with up to date privacy regulations - see here:

<https://www.classdojo.com/privacy/>

Staff will be able to use the 'Class Story' to share whole-class messages, updates, reminders, photos and video through the app or website. Children will be able to access an area of the Class Dojo website to store pieces of work via a portfolio. Class Dojo also allows children to earn recognition for positive behaviours for their 'avatar'.

Class Dojo also offers direct two-way text messaging between teachers and parents within the platform environment. This is clearly something that we are hoping will be a more convenient way of contacting the class team directly. You might wish to ask a question about a particular piece of work or ask about a particular method. Please bear in mind though that the staff are not available 24/7 and if they become ill they will not be answering at all.

I, _____ parent/carer of (pupil name) _____ do give permission for class dojo to be used as a communication tool. Please set up my account linked to this email:

_____. I give permission for photos of my child to be shared with me (**only viewable by parent/carer/child**) _____.

I do/do not give permission for group photos of my child to be shared to the class story (**viewable by whole class parents and pupils**).

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best Wishes,

Mrs Osobu

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