

# CLASSDOJO POLICY 2021-2022

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# The Aims of this policy are to:

- ✓ establish more effective communication links with parents
- ✓ create a positive behaviour management tool
- ✓ ensure all users use ClassDojo responsibly (including school staff and parents/guardians)



# What is ClassDojo?

ClassDojo is a digital classroom management tool designed to help our teachers improve pupil behaviour and communicate more effectively with parents/guardians. It connects teachers with our pupils and parents/guardians to build amazing classroom communities.

ClassDojo is a great way for you to see in real time how your child is doing in school.

No more:-

"What have you done today at school?"

"Nothing!"

Each pupil gets an avatar and teachers award Dojo reward points, for things such as good homework, participating in class, staying on task, completing good work, following our classroom expectations and school values. Teachers can use a tablet or computer to give points throughout the school day. Each pupil's points can be displayed via a smart board, and parents/guardians, via their app, can see these. Teachers can communicate with parents/guardians on a 1:1 messaging service, or via the class page where general class messages can be shared, or via the whole school page.



#### **Behaviour**

Pupils can gain green positive Dojo points for many behaviours including: -

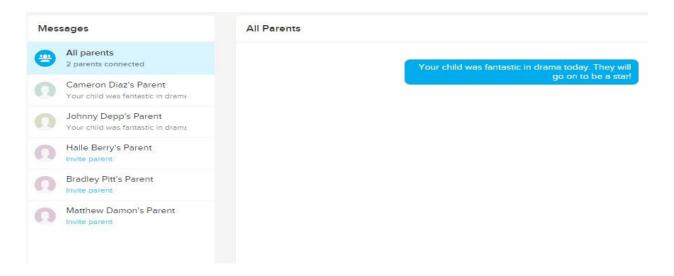


The ClassDojo system runs alongside our Behaviour Policy (please see school Behaviour Policy on our school website).

During Friday morning assembly the child/ren in each class with the most Dojo points at the end of each week will receive a certificate.

#### **Communication**

ClassDojo also includes a messaging service.



The messaging within ClassDojo is a great way to contact the class teacher and discuss any issues that may arise, or to ask any questions you have about the work set. Questions about personal issues or behaviour issues should not be asked using this system, these should be emailed directly to the class teacher, Deputy Head or Executive Principal, as this system is open for everyone to view. The class teacher will answer your questions on general issues within 24 hours, during the school week.

#### **Class Story**

This gives you a great insight into what your child is doing at school on a daily basis. The class story can give you a 'Facebook style' timeline to see what activities have been going on in the classroom on a day to day basis. Teachers post updates on their class page - i.e. reminder posts about PE days/homework/class learning and other important class events such as trips or assemblies. In addition, celebrations of work will be shared, either individually to parents or via the class page.

All teachers using ClassDojo have set a 'quiet hours' on their page, this may mean the teacher may not read or reply to messages out of the designated hours. Quiet hours are between 5.00pm and 8.00am weekdays and all weekends and holidays. We would still urge you to contact school via the school office if the message is urgent, as we cannot guarantee the teacher will see the message straight away.



#### **School Story**

This gives you information about what is happening in school on a day to day basis. It may alert you to events i.e. parents evening, special events, or it may alert you to an issue you need to be aware of, or it may just celebrate something exciting that is happening in school.

If you haven't already signed up to ClassDojo please do so by asking the class teacher for an invite code. If you would like any more information about our ClassDojo, please see your child's class teacher or visit **ClassDojo**.

# **Monitoring of the Policy:**

It is the responsibility of all members of staff who use ClassDojo to ensure it is used according to this policy. Monitoring of the policy will be by Mrs Robbins (Dojo Administrator) and Senior Leaders.