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Dear Parents/Carers,

Last year we introduced ClassDojo - a free school communication platform - and used it to communicate with you during Lockdown. ClassDojo uses any iOS device, android device, Kindle or Computer to connect to the internet. For more information about ClassDojo visit: <https://www.classdojo.com/>

This year, teachers will also use Class Dojo to set and mark homework. This will limit the resources and books which are moved between school and home each week. Homework will include reading, spellings, maths and English activities and the half termly homework challenge which link to our knowledge-rich curriculum. Children will be expected to access Dojo and complete their homework. They will have 1 week to complete their tasks.

- A piece of English or maths will be uploaded to Class Story weekly each Friday.
- Children will be given a Homework book to take home and they will complete their homework in their book. **Please do not send the homework book into school!**
- In ClassDojo, teachers will make a Portfolio each week, clearly labelled with the date and title of the homework. There will also be a separate portfolio for the half termly homework challenge.
- You will then be able to take a photo of the completed work and upload the photo into the correct Portfolio.
- Children will have 6 days to complete the homework, and will have until the following Thursday to upload their completed tasks.
- Teachers will give the class feedback about their homework and if any individual requires specific advice, this will be addressed in school.
- Teachers will monitor the uploaded homework and make contact where appropriate.
- Spellings will be shared on Class Story, children DO NOT NEED to complete a specific activity for this (unless this is part of the English homework), but must learn them ready for the weekly test.
- Reading and times tables will be an ongoing expectation, to be practised daily.
- The Homework Challenge sheet will also be sent out each half term on the Class Story. Children may choose how they wish to complete the task. They can take photos or videos of completed tasks and upload to the Challenge Portfolio.



Class Dojo have made a short video for parents to see how to access the portfolios on their child's account.

https://classdojo.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/articles/360009892752-What-is-ClassDojo-Portfolios-and-How-Do-I-See-My-Child-s-Work-?mobile_site=true

We will be sending all parents a form shortly to enquire whether you have access to a device and the internet. Please let us know if there are any issues.

Kind Regards

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Ms J Borley', with a stylized flourish underneath.

Ms J Borley
Executive Headteacher