



ClassDojo Parent/guardian School Agreement

We believe a robust partnership between home and School is built upon good communication and ensures all parties; children, families and staff have a clear understanding of expectations and an opportunity to talk about their thoughts and ideas positively. With this in mind our Chadsmoor family, Chadsmoor Community Infant & Nursery School and Chadsmoor C.E (VC) Junior School use an online program called, 'ClassDojo'. Class Dojo is available free of charge to all our school children. It has proved to be an effective method in building relationships between home and school coupled with maximising every learner's learning and development.

Aims:

- To establish strong and effective communication links between home and School
- To enhance the current Behaviour Policy
- To ensure all users operate ClassDojo responsibly (including School staff and parent/guardian)

Background:

ClassDojo is a digital classroom management tool designed for effective communication between families and School and maintain good pupil behaviour. Each pupil gets an individual avatar, and teachers award Dojo reward points (green) for things that follow our three school rules;-

1. Be responsible
2. Be Respectful
3. Be ready to learn

All staff have access to update ClassDojo and reward for things such as; participating in class, staying on task, using good manners, etc. Each pupil's points can be displayed via a smartboard, and families, via their app, can see these throughout the day. ClassDojo is used at both schools to recognise achievement and follow school ethos. School staff can communicate with parents on a 1:1 messaging service or via their Class Story where daily photographs/video clips/notices can be shared. ClassDojo is a great way for you to see in real time how and what a child is doing in School.

Who can join our School ClassDojo Community?

We would recommend that the adults who care for the child on a daily basis have access to the app. In the first instance this would be those with Parental Responsibility or primary carer. If requests are received to connect extra people such as grandparents, other significant adults, childminders etc then these requests will be considered by the school senior leadership team to determine whether or not the invite is in the child's best interests. Please note that no person (except the actual child within School) under the age of eighteen is eligible to join our School ClassDojo app.

The Expectation of our Families

- Check their child's ClassDojo 'Report' daily to celebrate positive (green) points and become notified of any negative (red) ones and to discuss this with their child.
- Check for individual 'Messages' and view 'Class/School Stories'.
- Use the information from ClassDojo to structure a conversation with their child about what they have been learning, how they have been behaving, etc.
- **NOT** share any content (comments/messages/photographs/video clips) from ClassDojo on any social media platforms or via other messaging services. **The only exception to this allows parents to upload ClassDojo items onto social media of their child only.**
- Contribute to their child's Portfolio by sending in photographs, video clips, comments which demonstrate their learning and enjoyment at home and in the wider community.
- Visit the following website for more information:
<https://classdojo.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/categories/200185365-For-parents>

The Expectation of School Staff

- Promote positive behaviours through ClassDojo.
- Share information about the class at least once a day.
- Send out individual or group messages as and when required.
- Agree to respond to any messages received within a reasonable time period during school term time.
- Share links to useful websites or important documents that relate to activities and learning in class.
- Post photographs of the children whenever possible to showcase their learning and personal/group accomplishments.
- Use ClassDojo as a communication tool when on Educational Visits.
- Maintain the highest professionalism and security settings at all times when using ClassDojo, promoting the Chads Moor Federation as a School where 'Enjoying Achieving Together' is visible.

Monitoring:

It is the responsibility of all members of School staff who use ClassDojo to ensure it is used according to this policy. Monitoring of the app will be undertaken by the Senior Leadership Team, Mr. J. Brown (Infants & Nursery school ClassDojo Mentor) and Miss E Curtis (Junior School ClassDojo Mentor).

IMPORTANT: If for any reason a comment/message/photograph/video clip is posted onto any of the ClassDojo Stories which is deemed offensive, inappropriate or negative it will be deleted and the person responsible for the remark may have their access to DOJO temporarily or permanently removed, this will always be at the discretion of the Senior Leadership Team.

User Agreement:

Under this user agreement and policy all adults that are connected to class DOJO are subject to the terms and conditions outlined. Any breach of this policy may result in their access to class DOJO being disconnected. If the breach is deemed serious then police may be informed accordingly to take necessary action.

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