

Weekly Newsletter

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*'Where children
come first'*

Class Dojo

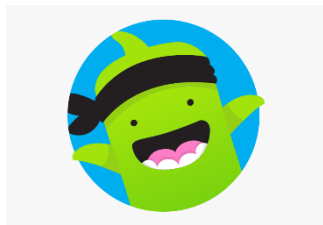
Well done to everybody who has engaged with the home learning on Class Dojo so far this week! We hope you are enjoying the activities and the videos we have been making for you.

Remember, if you need help with anything just let us know.

We are keeping track of who is doing the work and who is putting lots of effort in and there will be rewards just like if you were in school!

If we notice you are not managing to complete much work, we will give you a call to see if there is anything we can support with.

It is VERY IMPORTANT that learning continues at the moment. If you are struggling because you do not have the equipment you need, PLEASE let us know so that we can try and sort this out.



Devices

Thank you to those people who have provided devices for children to use and thank you to Mrs Walsh for organising it all. Please get in touch if you have not got a device to do your work on or need advice about getting additional data for your devices (or help with anything technical that is getting in the way of your learning).

Facebook Assemblies

Please watch out for Mr Mitchell's Facebook assemblies, which will come out every week (usually near the weekend).

We will be singing Happy Birthday, celebrating those people who have shown huge effort with their Class Dojo work, saying well done to both children and adults during this time, reading excerpts from Mr Mitchell's favourite book at the moment: 'The boy, The mole, The fox and The horse' by Charlie Mackesy.

Community Fridge Support

Will remain operational with new guidance on accessing it (check the Facebook page of the LEYLAND COMMUNITY NETWORK for details and times). They will continue to offer this throughout for families struggling with food and basic essentials, so don't be afraid to ask for help and get in touch

Hothersall Lodge?

Some Year 6 parents have asked about Hothersall Lodge and whether it is going to take place (we were due to go in March). We have been in touch and they do not know yet if they will be able to offer the residential. If they can't then, assuming we are back to school, we hope we can go up for at least a day to experience the climbing wall, zip-wire, archery and canoeing but we will let you know. If it is cancelled, we will obviously let you know about refunds for those who have already paid.

Keep our community safe

These next few weeks are the most important for us as a community and nation. The new COVID variant is more easily passed on than the virus in March which is why we are asking parents to only send



their children into school as a very last resort since the safest place is at home. However, we do realise this is not possible for some of our key workers so where it is not possible our staff in school are keeping school open to help keep our services and NHS up and running.

If you do not need to send your child in to school please keep them at home because we need to reduce contact between households.

Hopefully there will be some light at the end of the tunnel if we can get through these next few weeks. Thank you for your support, patience and strength at this time.

Rewards for this week (Well done!)

Well done to the following children who have done so well with their Class Dojo work (either in school or at home)

Moons	Stephen	Wonderful video about light sources.
Rockets	Ethan	Reading and spelling tricky words and writing a brilliant sentence independently.
	Joseph	Working hard at home.
Dorado	Lawson	Reading a fantastic story.
Orion	Archie	Completing all 18 pieces of work that have been set.
Hercules	Kelsey	Completing all the work set to a high quality.
Pegasus	Tyler	Brilliant home learning all week.
Leo	Millie	Engaging fully with class Dojo, giving 100% effort and giving everything a go.
Phoenix	Logan	Fantastic, impressive work on Dojo

A big well done to the parents as well of all those children who have engaged with their home learning because we know it is not easy for families to find a quiet place to work but if you are doing your best then you are a hero in our eyes!

Warning - Fake Text Offering Vaccines

Fraudsters are sending out fake texts offering a Covid vaccines in an attempt to steal personal and financial information, police have warned.

The text offers a link to an "extremely convincing" fake NHS website where people are asked to input their bank details to register for a vaccine.

They also say cold callers are asking people to pay for the vaccine over the phone. There is no charge for the vaccine.



Contact Details

Please ensure your contact details are up to date. Any changes in telephone numbers or email addresses please let school know either by email, Class Dojo or telephone the office. We are using these methods to communicate updates and changes as we are in lockdown and beyond so it is vital we hold the right details for you.

School Uniform

Our suppliers at Delta Wool Shop are closing down and have now reduced the uniform they have in stock. It can be ordered online at <https://www.deltawoolshop.co.uk/product-category/primary-schools/seven-stars/>. We are busy working to source another provider and will update you as soon as we have any news.

School Nurses

The school nursing team will continue to operate throughout the covid-19 pandemic.

Should you or your child need to access the school health team then please telephone 0300 247 0040 or email vc1.019.singlepointofaccess@nhs.net

This service is available Monday to Friday 9-5.

Internet Safety

As a school we understand that this is a very difficult and stressful time for you and our students. With this in mind, and an increasing necessity to use technology more and more, please find below some links to useful websites that cover online safety and remote working and offer strategies to stay safe whilst working online.

<https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/news/2020/may/online-safety-during-coronavirus>

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/covid-19-staying-safe-online>

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/blog/keeping-children-happy-and-safe-online-during-covid-19>

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/professionals/our-views/online-safety-and-safeguarding-during-covid-19/>

Thank You and Well Done

A huge thank you and well done to all the amazing families and children of Seven Stars school. These are very difficult times and once again you are showing resilience, strength and determination.

If anyone needs help during this time please contact school on 01772 422503 or email d.wright@seven-stars.lancs.sch.uk or head@seven-stars.lancs.sch.uk or office@seven-stars.lancs.sch.uk

THIS IS A CHALLENGING TIME

Please ask for help if you need it and we will do our best to support you

We are linking with the Leyland Community Network led by one of our dynamic mums to support the community and in particular the families and children of Seven Stars School

If you need any support at all from us or from the Leyland Community Network please get in touch (in confidence) and we will see what we can do to help.

We also have links and contacts for other support groups and organisations

We are really grateful to many local businesses who are pledging to help and if you know of anyone else who may be able to support our struggling families please get in touch at the numbers below

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d.wright@seven-stars.lancs.sch.uk (Mrs Wright)

OR on 07561693865 (School mobile) within school hours (9 to 5 Monday to Friday)

head@seven-stars.lancs.sch.uk (Mr Mitchell)

(If you need the school nurse then please telephone: 0300 247 0040)

This service is available Monday to Friday 8.30am-4.30pm)

SEE THE LINKS BELOW FOR FURTHER HELP AND SUPPORT

National Domestic Violence Helpline: 0808 2000 247 <https://www.nationaldahelpline.org.uk/>

NSPCC helpline: 0808 800 5000 If you're worried about a child, even if you're unsure, contact NSPCC professional counsellors for help, advice and support.

Childline 0800 1111: Offers free, confidential advice and support for any child 18 years or under, whatever the worry. MIND: Mental Health Support with specific advice on 'Coronavirus and your wellbeing'. www.mind.org.uk

YoungMinds: Supporting children and young people and their parents/carers with their mental health and wellbeing. Specific advice on managing self-isolation and anxiety about coronavirus. <https://youngminds.org.uk> ICON: Babies cry: You can cope. <http://iconcope.org/> SafeLives: Specific resources for domestic abuse and COVID. <http://safelives.org.uk/news-views/domestic-abuse-and-covid-19>

IRISi interventions: irisi.org/iris/find-your-local-iris-site

MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/special-educational-needs-and-disabilities/education/specialist-educational-support/educational-psychologists/>

Click on the pdf and link above for lots of great links to web-sites and advice for talking to children about COVID-19 from the Lancashire Educational Psychology team

Kooth is a BRILLIANT on-line for support for children from 10 to 16. It is free to sign-up. Just go to: <https://www.kooth.com/>

The Anna Freud foundation which is a great site for support for parents: <https://www.annafreud.org/parents/>

The NHS also has some great advice to deal with anxiety: <https://www.nhs.uk/oneyou/every-mind-matters/anxiety/>

If you are struggling in any way during this challenging time, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Wright at school on 01772 422503 or d.wright@seven-stars.lancs.sch.uk OR on 07561693865 (School mobile) within school hours (9 to 5 Monday to Friday)

Many thanks for your support - *Mr Mitchell*
Remember to like us on Facebook

REMEMBER TO VISIT OUR WEBSITE (class and school information)

****If you have changed your contact details, need to update medical information or any other personal details please let us know in the office so we can update our records****