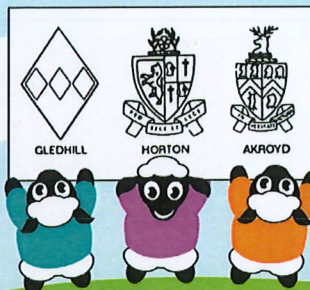


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Friday 5th September

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are excited to let you know that we will be introducing a new homework platform called **Class Dojo**. Many of the children are already familiar with Class Dojo, as it is used in school as part of our reward system. From this week, we will also be using it as a homework platform. This means that we will no longer be using Seesaw as the cost to do so was too prohibitive.

Class Dojo works in a **similar way to our previous homework platform, Seesaw**. Each child will be given a **QR code** to access their homework tasks. This code will be sent home with your child next week—please keep it safe, as it provides access to your child's account. To log on, you only need the QR code. Please ignore the section instructing you to use your parent account as you have not been allocated one. Class Dojo can be accessed on a **phone or tablet**, making it flexible and easy to use at home.

Homework will be **set each Wednesday starting Wednesday 10th September** and should be **completed by the following Monday**.

For our first piece of homework, and as a way to trial the platform, the teachers have set a simple task: for children to tell their teacher something about themselves. This will allow us all to become more confident with using Class Dojo for homework.

We will be using Class Dojo **only for homework**. While the platform does include wider communication features, these will not be in use. Homework set will include *Talking Homework* and English activities. English homework may take a range of forms depending on what the class teacher feels will best support learning. For example, children may be asked to complete:

- spelling activities
- punctuation or grammar tasks
- a reading comprehension

Please note that **Class Dojo is a homework platform only**. It is not intended for general communication. Any other type of query should be directed to our school office via the **school admin email address**. Teachers may only access Class Dojo once a week, so it is important that any other issues which need resolving in a timely manner are communicated to school as soon as is practically possible. Staff will not respond to messages or queries via Class Dojo.

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As this is a new system for us too, we ask for your patience while we work through any teething issues. We will be reviewing Class Dojo as a homework tool over the half term and welcome any feedback you may have.

Attached is a short parent guide with step-by-step instructions to help you access Class Dojo and support your child with their homework. We hope you find this useful.

Maths homework will continue to be set via MyMaths. <https://www.mymaths.co.uk/>

Children in Years 2-6 already have usernames and passwords but if these have been misplaced, please contact school to request a replacement. Children in Year 1 will have Maths homework set later on in the term and will be notified of this via their class teachers.

Thank you for your support as we continue to develop our approaches to learning at home.

Regards


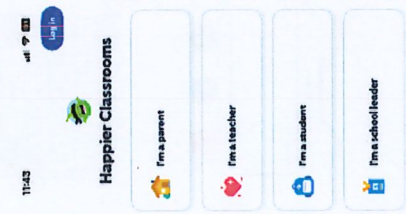

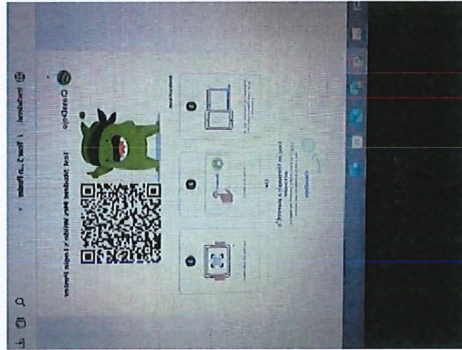
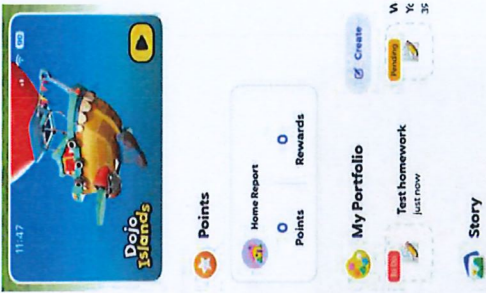
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How to access class dojo

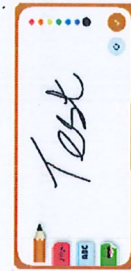
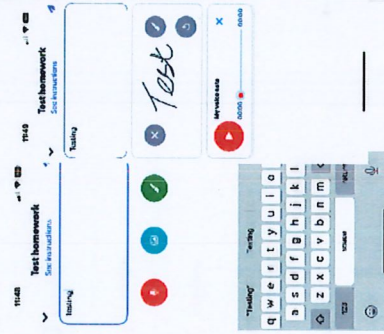
<p>1. Open the App Store or Google Play store on your smartphone or tablet and search 'class dojo'. You can then install and open the app.</p>	<p>2. Click" I'm a student"</p>	<p>3. Allow camera access</p>	<p>4. Scan the QR code given to you by your child's teacher.</p>	<p>5. You will now see your home page.</p>
				

How to access and respond to homework

Once home work is set by the teacher, it will sit on the homepage with a 'to do' icon as you can see next to Test homework. Click on this.



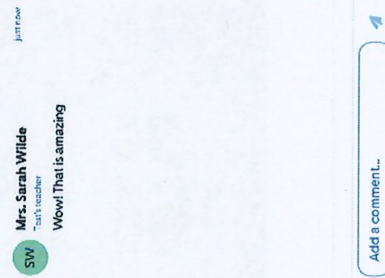
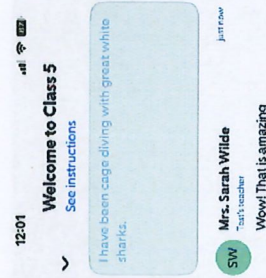
Once you have clicked on the homework it will take you to a page where there are multiple ways to respond to the homework all very similar to how it was in Seesaw. Choose the most appropriate method to complete the work set. Below are examples of typing, writing and a voice note option. To submit, click the arrow in the top right hand corner.



After submission, the homework will sit on the homepage marked as pending as can be seen on the 2 pieces of homework submitted for this example.



The teacher will be notified and respond accordingly as is shown in the example response below to a question posed by the teacher for homework.



The homework will then sit on the home page without any notifications.

