



St. Andrew's Church of England
Primary School

Growing and learning together with God

ClassDojo
Home School Agreement

Autumn 2022

ClassDojo deepens understanding and communication between teachers, parents, and students. In the classroom, teachers can use ClassDojo to encourage positive behaviours like curiosity and perseverance.

Teachers can also send real-time messages to parents using the Messaging portion of ClassDojo to provide parents with updates on what is happening at school.

At home, parents are able to review their child's progress with Student Reports, and also communicate simply and safely with their child's teacher. They can also upload their child's work using the student portfolios.

ClassDojo is 100% free for teachers, parents, and students to use anywhere in the world. We hope you join the over 45 million already using ClassDojo :)

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What is ClassDojo?

ClassDojo is an online program that we are using at St. Andrew's in a number of different ways. It can be used to reward good choices on an individual, small group, whole class or whole school basis. Feedback is instant. The children work with their class teachers to decide on what Dojo points can be awarded for and to decide what whole class or individual rewards may be earned each week. Dojo points will work alongside the other incentives in use at St. Andrew's such as Class Ticks.

ClassDojo is also an effective tool for communication between class teachers and parents. There is a messaging system for individual one to one messages. Additionally class teachers can share text, images, document and web links and even video with individual parents or with whole classes. Parents, teachers and children can upload work completed at home and at school via the Portfolios. It can be accessed via the website or downloaded as an app.

We are asking all parents, children and staff to read through and sign this home school agreement at the start of their child's time at our school. More than one parent can sign up and parents with more than one child will be able to see each child's account separately.

1. St. Andrew's CofE Primary School Staff will:

- Promote positive behaviours through ClassDojo.
- Share information about the class or individuals at least once a week.
- Send out individual or group messages if required. These will be along the lines of 'Please could I catch up with you at the end of the school day...' rather than going into specific details online about issues, queries, other children or personal data.
- Agree to respond to any messages from parents within 24 hours (working days only)
- Not read or respond to any messages during quiet hours or days off.
- Share links to useful websites or important documents that relate to activities and learning in class.
- Send photographs of the children whenever possible.
- Use ClassDojo as a communication tool when on class trips.
- Use the class toolkit to encourage collaboration in class and support pupils' learning.
- Maintain the highest professionalism and security settings at all times when using ClassDojo.

2. Parents/Carers will:

- Check their child's Dojo report during the week.
- Check for individual messages and whole class stories at least twice a week.
- Make sure individual messages are concise and factual. For anything particularly sensitive or confidential, it is more appropriate to speak over the phone or in person. The purpose of the Dojo message can be to try to arrange those opportunities.
- Use the information from ClassDojo to structure a conversation with their child about what they have been learning and how they have been behaving in class.
- Not share any content from ClassDojo on social media or via other messaging services.
- Visit the following website for more information: <https://classdojo.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/categories/200185365-For-parents>

Please note that as written in our Parent Code of Conduct, any individual who uses ClassDojo to post abusive, defamatory, threatening or offensive comments about staff, pupils or the school will be removed from the site, either temporarily or permanently.

3. **THE PUPIL WILL:**

- Make good choices and support others to make good choices.
- Collaborate with the rest of the class to suggest new ideas for positive feedback and ideas for rewards.
- Use ClassDojo feedback and messages to discuss their learning and behaviour with their parents/carers.
- Upload work via the portfolios from home or school

Safety and Protections for your Child

Here is a message from Class Dojo. All their privacy notices and information can be found on their website at <https://classdojo.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/articles/115004741703-Privacy-Policy-and-Terms-of-Service-Key-Terms>

Hello!

ClassDojo's mission is to connect teachers, students, and families to help them improve education in their communities. Protecting your privacy is fundamental to that mission.

We updated our [Privacy Policy](#) to reflect changes we made to strengthen your rights, increase transparency for how we protect your information, and comply with the European Union's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). These changes were effective starting May 23, 2018.

We encourage you to read our full policy, but here are some highlights of what's changed:

1. We added a "Privacy Highlights" section to the top of our [Privacy Policy](#) to help you quickly understand how we collect, use, share, and protect your personal information.
2. We created a [simple chart](#), linked from our Privacy Policy, so you can easily see the personal information we have about you, how we use it, and where it is stored.
3. We made a short [video](#) to help students understand our Privacy Policy. We highlighted your [privacy rights](#) and how to exercise them, like how to delete your personal information.

Lastly, you can learn more and download our shareable [GDPR fact sheet](#) on our [Privacy Center](#).

As always, please reach out with any additional questions! We're happy to help!

Cheers,

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