

Bankwood Primary School

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Dear Parent/Carer

This year Bankwood Primary will be trialling a whole school use of an online system 'Class Dojo' to aid communicate with you: we can



instantly share news, updates and photographs from class. It's the easiest way for you to see how your child is doing at school and is simple and secure to use. Class Dojo deepens understanding between teachers, parents and students. In the classroom, teachers can use Class Dojo to encourage positive behaviours and provide parents with weekly updates on what is happening at school, as well as home learning. However, they will not respond to messages; all communication with school should still take place via the school office.

We'd like all families to join us and sign up for Class Dojo. It can be used on any device: it is a **free** mobile app for iOS and Android and can also be used from a computer at <u>www.classdojo.com</u>. Please note: dojo also offers a paid version - you do not need this to access the school pages and information. To ensure it is used sensibly by all, we have created a Home School Agreement. Please read this and then sign and return the slip to school as soon as possible. Once you have returned the agreement, we can then send you your child login details so you can get connected. More than one parent can sign up and parents with more than one child will be able to see each child's account separately.

If you have any queries or questions about ClassDojo please speak to your child's class teacher or Mrs Reynolds.

Many Thanks

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Mrs S Reynolds Headteacher

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Acceptable use of ClassDojo and social media Home School Agreement

Expectations for school

- Teachers are expected to create a Class Dojo account via the website www.classdojo.com and to download the free app onto their school laptop or iPad.
- Invitations will be sent out to parents, and teachers will regularly encourage parents to sign up.
- School will add new children that join throughout the year.
- Teachers are encouraged to post weekly updates on their class story. As well as giving parents information about PE, spellings etc. teachers will also celebrate work (this may be done on the class story or individually via portfolio).
- Members of staff will not respond to messages send via ClassDojo.
- School will invite parents/carers in for face to face dialogue or phone call if they feel a conversation is needed.
- All users of Class Dojo are to make themselves fully aware of the children who do not have permission to have their photographs shared on websites and social media.

Expectations for Parents/Carers:

- Check their child's Dojo report during the week.
- Check class stories and whole school news regularly.
- Remain polite and considerate at all times.
- Not share **any** content from Class Dojo on other social media or messaging platforms.
- Inform the school of any material from Class Dojo that has been posted online by someone else.
- Communicate with school via the school office.

Please note that any individual who uses Class Dojo for abusive, defamatory, threatening or offensive behaviour, about staff, pupils or the school, will be removed from the site.

Pupil:

Class:

Parent/Carer name (print **and** signature)

□ I give consent for my child's photo to be shared on Class Dojo

□ I **do not** give consent for my child's photo to be shared on Class Dojo