



Jarrow Cross Church of England Primary School

**Home- School Class Dojo Policy
2023**

This policy should be read alongside our E- Safety and Acceptable
Users Policy

After each revision the policy is circulated to all Governors, school
staff and
displayed in the staff room and on the school website.

The policy is to be reviewed by the Governing Board in: 2026

The following policy refers to the use of ClassDojo as a home-school communication tool

Aims:

To maintain the community relationship between Jarrow Cross and families so that school continues to be an active presence in their lives

For children to continue having a sense of being a part of their class, in contact with teachers and the life of their peers

For teachers to encourage and support children in continuing with home learning

Dojo Reward system

Each day the children have the opportunity to achieve Dojo point which are then calculated by the Dojo system. These points reward the individual child, class and House Group. Dojo points are achieved for amongst other things: good work in all curriculum areas and following our school values and vision.

Process:

Teachers will:

- Set a small, fun task on the Portfolio or class story
- Comment on work sent in by children
- Send messages

Parents/Pupils can:

Comments:

- Parents and children together can like the post of a teacher in the Class story.
- Children comment on a Class Story post with a positive comment.
Example: 'It's fantastic seeing the great work everyone is doing!'

Portfolio:

- Parents and children can post their classwork such as poems, speeches and artwork to their Student story through photos and videos
- Any work that is submitted to the Pupil's portfolio will only be accessible by the Class Teacher and the connected parents to that child's account.

Messages:

- Message your child's teacher if you want to share something positive from home or congratulate your child on something they have done for school work.
- Message your child's teacher if you have a small query or would like to find out something simple
- **Do not** message with any information regarding attendance. Always contact the office via telephone or send an email.

Please note DOJO is a positive messaging system and should only be used as such. Any concerns regarding your child should always be addressed in the first instance by speaking with the class teacher

Teachers will aim to reply on the same day to messages sent during school hours (9.00a.m.-5pm.)
Messages received after working hours will not be replied to until the following day.

Appendix: Online Safety and Acceptable Use of ClassDojo

Online communication is a fact of modern life and we are using ClassDojo to support a strong link between home and school that enhances children's school experience. As stated in the school's acceptable use policies, we expect everybody to behave in a positive manner, engaging respectfully with the school and each other on ClassDojo, in the same way as they would face to face.

This positive behaviour can be summarised as being kind and polite and not making any posts which are or could be construed as rude, insulting, aggressive, bullying or otherwise inappropriate. **Any such incidents will be reported immediately.**

ClassDojo has been set up using parents' email addresses so that parents can use the app together with their child. We guide parents to see this as a shared experience where they are modelling to and supporting their child in learning how to use online communication well.

ClassDojo's Acceptable Use Terms

1. You will not post unauthorized commercial communications (such as spam, promotional emails, or advertisements) on or through the Service.
2. You will not upload viruses or other malicious code, files or programs.
3. You will not collect, solicit or otherwise obtain login information or access an account belonging to someone else.
4. You will not bully, intimidate, or harass any user or use the service in any manner that is threatening, abusive, violent, or harmful to any person or entity, or invasive of another's privacy.
5. You will not impersonate a ClassDojo for a School employee, or any other person, or falsely state or otherwise misrepresent your affiliation with any person or entity.
6. You will not copy, modify, or distribute any text, graphics, or other material or content available through the Service without our prior written permission, or if such content is a User Content, the prior written consent of such User.

If parents have a concern about school or pupil use of ClassDojo, please contact: Mrs McBeth Head Teacher

Breaches of this policy and of school AUPs (Acceptable Use Policies) will be dealt with in line with the school behaviour policy (for pupils) or code of conduct (for staff).

Further to this, where an incident relates to an inappropriate ClassDojo post by a member of the school community, we will contact the parent or staff member and

delete the post/ request that the post be deleted as appropriate and will expect this to be actioned promptly.