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Dear Parents

As you may be aware Trinity First School began to use Dojo last academic year (2019-2020)

In its own words,

Class Dojo is an educational technology company. It connects primary school teachers, students and families through communication features, such as a feed for photos and videos from the school day, and messaging that can be translated into more than 35 languages.



Last year our use of Dojo was really successful within school; the children enjoyed the reward system that can be 'tailored' to the needs of the class and their teachers so that they can reward students for effort, team work, successful writing, good maths, working co-operatively and so on.

This year we plan to use Dojo more extensively to support the school community in its communication and sharing of information including photographs. We hope this will cover many things including celebrating successes, sharing work/learning and allowing parents to see when and how their child has made a personal achievement and received a positive Dojo. This is a particualry positve development given that Covid-19 has affected how we are able to connect and communicate with our parent community. Dojo also offers a 'whole school story', where any member of staff can post up to date information for parents, including me and the office staff. This will cut down on paper use and allow more immediate information to be on hand.

In order for parents to be fully informed of the processes you will need to download the free Dojo app on to your phone. Instructions for this are below/attached. In doing this you will get Dojo alerts when your child recieves a recognition point, you will be able to access the 'class story' and also message the class teacher with any questions and concerns about your child's experiences at school.

We are planning to facilitate this exciting new way of working with parents <u>a year group at a time</u>, starting with Year 4. This will mean that should there be any difficulties with setting up, we can resolve them without being overwhelmed and without unnecessary delay.

In the next few weeks school will be contacting parents of each year group by letter and letting you know when it is time to activate the app and get onto Dojo with us.

We are really looking forward to Dojo making a positive contribution to life at Trinity First School.

Yours sincerely,

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