



# St Edmund's Catholic Primary School

...through Christ we learn...

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Dear Parents/Carers,

As part of our vision in establishing a strong partnership with parents so that you always feel valued as part of your child's education and in regards to improving how we communicate with parents and giving parents greater insight into what happens in school, we are proposing a new exciting initiative, the Class Dojo.

Class Dojo, in St Edmund's Catholic Primary School will be used primarily to encourage positive skills, like perseverance and teamwork. We'll also rely on it to communicate with one another: instantly sharing messages, updates, events, and photos from class. It's simple, secure, and gives you a window into their school day!

We would like all families to join us by signing up for a parent account on ClassDojo! You can use it on any device: it's a simple, free mobile app for iOS and Android, and can also be accessed from your computer at [classdojo.com](http://classdojo.com).

Each child will be assigned a monster avatar that earns 'monster points' for positive behaviours and children's work in school. Children can earn points for a variety of things, such as Teamwork, Participation or representing the School Values.



Parents and students both will receive a special code to create their own account, and download 'Class Dojo' app on their phones, which will link them specifically to the school and their teachers. After connecting, you will receive notifications every time your child receives a monster point.

Important things to remember...

- Teachers will only reply between the hours of 8am and 4pm. However, please remember that we teach your children from 8.50am-12.25pm and 1:25pm-3.25pm, so you may not receive a message back until the end of the day.
- We will not be using the app during school holidays or weekends.
- You still need to ring the office if your child is absent from school.
- Please only use Class Dojo to comment on your child's learning, please speak to the teacher face to face if you have any concerns.
- All of the information you give will be kept private and the Class Dojo privacy policy states that no information will be passed on. Please follow the link and read the privacy policy <https://www.classdojo.com/privacy/>

We hope this clarifies any questions you may have and that you enjoy connecting with us and your children through Class Dojo.

Please note, that this will also be a trial period to prepare us for a complete and successful implementation for the new academic year starting in September 2023.

If you have any questions regarding Class Dojo, please download the FAQs below, speak to your child's class teacher or to a member of our school senior leaders.

<https://www.classdojo.com/privacycenter/>

Kind regards,

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