

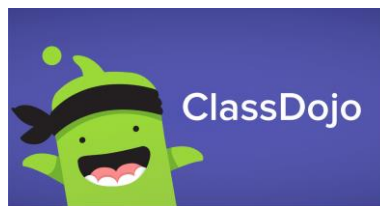
PUPIL TRANSITION TO NEW CLASSES 2020-21 (YEAR 1 TO 6)

Friday 3rd July 2020

Dear parents and children,

I hope this letter finds you well and you are all coping, during what has been a particular strange few months. As we approach the summer period, and hopefully a step closer to 'normality' I am sure many of the children will be starting to think about September and their return to school. I know my 3 children are starting to talk about it more and more linked to their own school. This can be a particularly worrying time of year for children and we will try to support them through it the best we can in unusual circumstances. As you will understand, we are unable to do our normal transition to new classes during the summer months, so we will be doing things a little bit differently this year for children who will be in Year 1 to Year 6 in September.

Let me explain how this will work!



You will NEED to have the school CLASS DOJO set up on your phone.

Wednesday 8th July 2020

Parents and children will be invited to a new DOJO class on the DOJO app. **(Please look out for this as a notification on the app and make sure you have downloaded the DOJO app we use for communicating with parents)**

Friday 10th July 2020

Your child's new teacher will do a video welcoming the children to their new class and post it on the new DOJO class.

Between Friday 10th July and Wednesday 15th July

The child's new teacher will upload 3 or 4 transition activities on the new class DOJO, for your child to complete.

Please post your child's work on the class DOJO page via a photo for the teacher to see.

Thursday 16th July

Your child's class teacher will post another video to the class.

1st Sept- 7th September

A virtual tour of the classroom will be put on the DOJO class page and a transition activity will be put on the class DOJO app ready for discussion on the first day back.

Classes 2020-21

Year group	Class name	Teacher/s
Nursery & 2 yr olds	Sparrows / Swans	Mrs Griffiths / Miss Thorpe
Reception	Robins	Mr Waltham / Mrs Symes
Year 1	Doves	Mrs Washington
Year 1/2	Penguins	Mrs Mohamed / Mr Caddick
Year 2	Chickadees	Mrs Walker / Mrs Wilkinson
Year 3	Flamingos	Mr Stone
Year 3/4	Falcons	Miss Gledhill
Year 4/5	Ravens	Mrs Greenwood / Mrs Daftar
Year 5/6	Toucans	Miss Brunt
Year 6	Swifts	Mr Swain
Nurture	Magpies	Mrs Allott

Please feel free to contact your child's new class teacher via the DOJO app if there are any particular questions and worries your child has moving into the new academic year.

May I also take this opportunity to welcome Miss Brunt the teaching staff at Overthorpe, who will be working in Toucan class. Miss Brunt worked in school earlier in the year and we are delighted to have her back!

Although this is not the way we would prefer to do transition, we hope it will enable the children to have some idea of what to expect before their full return in September 2020. If your children are like mine they will have many questions, which you may not have all the answers to as we are living in uncertain times, however hopefully this contact with your child's new teacher will go some way to easing some of their worries.

Can I also reassure you as parents that I have consulted extensively with all staff when putting together the classes for next year. We've discussed at length pupil's friendships, personalities, support they will need, academic ability etc. Our priority, like always is to ensure that the children are happy and well supported, socially, emotionally and academically, and these priorities have been instrumental in deciding which class your child is in.

Thanks again for your support and understanding over these last few months, as September draws ever closer, we hope that we can return to some kind of normal and ensure your children come back to school happy and excited for the new academic year. We can't wait to see them all back in school again.

Thank you again for your continued support, stay safe and well.

Kind regards



Mr Birkett
Head Teacher