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Dear Parents and Carers,

New Consent Forms & Trial introduction of Class Dojo

Following a review of our current consent forms, we have made a number of changes and updates and therefore your child will be bringing home the latest copy of our consent forms. Once you have read the forms we request that you log into your child's Arbor account via either the App or the Parent Portal and complete the requested consents at your earliest opportunity. Help sheets will also be sent home to help you navigate Arbor if needed. Some of the consents will already have a response in Arbor and therefore we ask that you just consider if your previous response still applies. The forms required for all pupils are:

School Visits

Photograph and Video Images

Rules for responsible Internet use

Home School Agreement

We are always looking for new and improved ways of communicating between home and school and have decided to pilot an app called Class Dojo in the following classes:

Nursery & Ark – Miss Chapman & Mrs. Unthank

K1JT – Mrs. Thompson

K2AL – Miss Longstaff

Class Dojo will allow us to communicate with one another: instantly sharing messages, updates, events, and photos from class. It is simple, secure, and gives you a window into your child's school life! We would like all families to join us by signing up for a parent account on Class Dojo!

There will be a class page for you to see what we are up to in the classroom as well as a whole school news feed to keep up with school life.

You can use it on any device: it is a simple, free mobile app for iOS and Android, and can also be accessed from your computer at classdojo.com.

New photographic consent forms will be collected for the whole school, although initially Class Dojo will only be used by those classes listed above. If successful, it will be rolled out to the rest of school and the consents that we are requesting now in relation to the use of Class Dojo will be applied later in the school year.

For those classes involved in the trial a separate link will be sent to you via Arbor's in app messages to join Class Dojo.

Please be aware that although there is a messaging option on Class Dojo, we will not be using it, please continue to contact us using either the telephone, e-mail or face to face. School will not read any messages received via Class Dojo.

Many thanks

Katy Wilson

Admin Officer