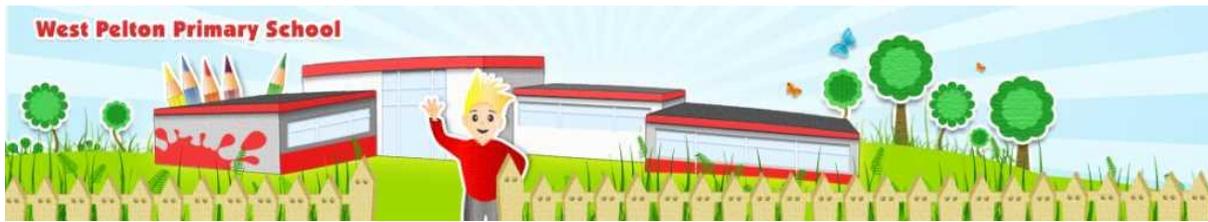


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Dear Parents / carers,

Learning platforms

Class Dojo

This year we will be encouraging positive skills, like perseverance and teamwork, with ClassDojo. We will 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.

Once you have joined and connected this means you will receive notifications every time your child receives a point. You will also be able to see class stories from time to time where the teacher will post a little information about what the children have been doing in a particular lesson. We hope that you find class Dojo both convenient and an exciting way of being made aware of how your child is getting on in school. You can also message your teachers. With regards to messaging we would just like to clarify how to use them.

Please **DO**:-

- message your child's teacher if you want to share something positive from home or congratulate your child on something they have done in school
- message your child's teacher if you have a small query or would like to find out something simple
- message your child's teacher on Class Dojo if your child has any minor worries, for example:
Jack didn't quite understand fractions today; could you speak to him about it please?
Sarah thinks she has lost her reading diary in school, could you help her find it please?

Please **DON'T**:-

- message your child's teacher to notify them of absences or illnesses – this should be done via the school office as normal
- use Class Dojo to message about any urgent or serious issues; please use the school office and normal school procedures for this

Teachers will always endeavour to reply as quickly as possible. However, please bear in mind that school life can be incredibly busy and whilst every effort will be made to reply or acknowledge messages, there may be a slight delay on occasion. Additionally, please do not expect a reply to any messages sent after 3.45pm.

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

Please could we have the attached consent from returned on Monday 5th October, thank you.

Myon Reading

The children have started to use an online reading system in school to enjoy a wide variety of books. Homework will be set on this program for all children to access and teachers can login to check their progress completing this.

Children who use accelerated reader in school (Year 2 – Year 6) can read and complete quizzes regularly at home using myon.

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We hope you all see the positive impact of introducing these online learning platforms and enjoy using them.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "V. Hewison". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

Ms V Hewison & Staff

