



We Can And We Will
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Dear Parent/Carer,

Online Learning and Remote Access for Parents and Pupils

During lockdown, we were incredibly proud of how our children and families rose to the challenge of 'remote learning.' Moving forward into this academic year, we would like to take this opportunity to build on this experience and ensure that all our children and families are supported in being able to access our various learning platforms online.

As a school we have made the decision to continue using the Class Dojo app as well as our online portal via the school website to provide remote learning for those pupils who are unable to attend school due to Covid-19 restrictions.

Class Dojo App and Remote Access for Parents/Carers and Pupils

We are continuing to provide communication between school and home through the use of the Class Dojo app. Through this app you will receive regular information relating to your child's achievement points (Dojo points), homework, year group expectations (phase welcome meetings) as well as important messages relating to school organisation, the curriculum and your child's learning. If you have been unable to download/log on to this app then please contact the school office on 01709 512022 and a member of staff will support you in this.

If your child/children are unable to attend school because they are isolating due to Covid-19 then class teachers will upload weekly learning tasks via your child's individual portfolio on Class Dojo. If you do not have access to an electronic device then please contact school as we may be able to offer support in this area. If you would prefer to receive a paper based learning pack then this can also be arranged and a member of staff will deliver the pack to your house at the earliest convenient time.

Online Portal via the School Website

Over the past 6 months the school has also developed the use of the online portal via our school website (www.eastdene.org). This platform was used successfully by many parents and children during the lockdown period. Going forward, if a class bubble has to close because of a positive Covid-19 test then all learning for that class will become remote and will be uploaded onto the online portal as well as the Class Dojo app. This will include class teachers delivering lessons to which follow up activities will then be added. The lessons will be pre-recorded and children will be asked to upload their learning when completed and appropriate feedback will be given. Links to other useful teaching websites, such as BBC Bitesize and Oak National Academy, will also be made available – please rest assured that class teachers will have ensured the recommended websites are appropriate for the stage and age of your child/children.



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Should you require any further information and/or support with regards to any of the above then please do not hesitate to contact school on 01709 512202 or alternatively you can email the school office on enquiries@eastdene.org or send a message to your child's class teacher via the Class Dojo app.

Many thanks for your continued support.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "L. M. Ridge".

Mrs L Ridge
Headteacher