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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to you about clarification over the online systems which we have in school as I know this is new to many of you and also some of us:

1) ParentPay

This is our online payment and communication system. Parents and carers have their own account which they must keep up to date with correct phone and email contact details. If you don't have access to this, then you won't receive any letters or texts. Please make sure you are registered with an account. Payment for all educational visits, breakfast club, HomeHub, nursery and school lunches are all paid for using this system.

Who do I speak to if I can't work this?

Please ring 01606 593315 and the office staff can help you.



2) Uniform Shop

This can be found on the front of our website home page. Uniform ordered and paid for will be sent home within 3 working days. Here is the link:

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Uniform/Default.aspx?shopid=362>
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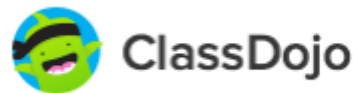


3) Class DoJo

This system is an App that you must download. It is used for **Years 1-6** by parents and carers to access information about their child's class, homework and spellings. Please note, teachers teach full time and won't have access to send answers to queries during the school day or at weekends.

Who do I speak to if I can't work this?

Please ring 01606 593315 and the office staff can help you or email contact@darnhall.cheshire.sch.uk and your query will be sent to the correct teacher.



4) Tapestry

This is a home/school learning record and communication system used in **Foundation Stage (Nursery and Reception) and Owl Class**. You will need to download an App and a login will be sent to you via email once you have completed the Google Survey. <https://forms.gle/TYwxw6Tsu5Mfutr5>

You will be invited to a VIRTUAL Teams meeting at either 4pm or 6pm on Monday 13th September which will explain how Tapestry is going to be used. You will not need to access your child's account until after Monday 13th September.

Please be aware this isn't going to have photos uploaded every day. This is an online journal which gives you an insight into your child's learning and development – we will be capturing their 'WOW' moments. You can also upload 'WOW' moments.

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5) Go-Read App

This is our new online reading diary that links home to school. This is for **Reception to Year 6**. Please record any home reading on your child's online record. If they read/ share books at home with their grown-ups, and you record a minimum of 3 reads at home a week, they will get a stamp on their Reading Worm! When they have 12 stamps, they can collect a golden token which allows them to select a FREE book from our amazing Book Vending machine. The child's reading worm record is kept in class - teachers will update this weekly. You will need to download the Go-Read App and you will be emailed a log in by Wednesday this week at the latest.

Who do I speak to if I can't work this?

Contact your child's teacher via Class DoJo (Year 1-6) or Tapestry (Foundation Stage/ Owls).



6) Times Table ROCKSTARS

As a school, we use 'Times Table Rock Stars,' which is a fantastic way to develop knowledge, speed and accuracy of times tables and division facts for all pupils from **Y2-Y6** online at home. Your child has been shown how to access 'Times Tables Rock Stars' by their class teacher and will be set times tables to practice at home on a weekly basis. 'Times Table Rock Stars' can be accessed online via the web address <https://trockstars.com/> . You can also download an Apple/android App for a phone/tablet etc. Your child's login and password will be sent via the class Dojo by no later than Friday 17th September. When you first login, your child will choose their own rock star name and design their own avatar before starting to practise.

Who do I speak to if I can't work this?

Contact your child's teacher via Class DoJo.



7) Parents'/ Carers' Evening Booking System

We use an online system and this term the meetings will be virtual (online) so you will need to be able to use this system. The system means you will have to be on time and the meetings start and end automatically. The link is on our website. You will not need a log in for this as you just complete via the link your child's details. You book online from 15th September for either of the following dates:

Monday 8th November 3:30-6:00pm
Tuesday 9th November 4:00-7:00pm

<https://darnhall.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

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8) Spag.com

Year 6 will have access to this from November 2021 once they have settled into the demands of Year 6. This is an online revision website focusing on spelling, grammar and punctuation.

Who do I speak to if I can't work this?

Contact your child's teacher via Class DoJo.



9) Reading at Home – RWI (Read Write Inc.) and The Oxford Reading Owl

Reception to Year 2 or any Key Stage 2 children who are still accessing RWI

Please read every day with your child and record this on their online reading diary - class staff will check these regularly. The paper book that your child takes home will be changed every 3 days. Book bag books will be changed every Monday.

We now have a new online book portal! To access this, you will need to use your individual Oxford Reading Owl login, which will be sent by teachers via your Class DoJo/ Tapestry. The children can access their correct coloured book online. Class teachers will track and monitor the online portal weekly.

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk>

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Please contact your child's class teacher via DoJo or Tapestry. Any issues following that please email leadership at contact@darnhall.cheshire.sch.uk



With all logins please note they may be case sensitive. E.g. If it is Henry321 make sure you have a CAPITAL LETTER if that is how it is sent to you.

Communication for me is so important and I know how frustrating it can be if you don't have access to what you need. Please do get in touch if you need any help and I hope by pulling all this information together in this letter it answers as many queries as possible.

Kindest regards

Sarah Tomlinson
Headteacher

