



CONCORDIA ACADEMY

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that you all remain well.

Many thanks for responding to our surveys and providing us with useful information on your experience of remote learning. There have been many positive messages left in the surveys and it is good to know that the hard work of the staff here at Concordia Academy is appreciated.

Likewise, we know that you are also doing an excellent job in supporting your children with their education at this time. We speak to many of you on a weekly basis and it is wonderful to hear your positivity during what are very difficult times. We know that the children would prefer to be in school and one of the biggest challenges is motivating them to learn at home each day, remember that you are all doing a great job (even if it doesn't always feel like it!).

Based on the feedback you have provided, we are making a couple of small changes to remote learning to help support you.

Reception

You were pleased with the Reception home curriculum and the fact that children explore a variety of topic activities each day. We are now also going to introduce Dojo points for all Reception classes. Children will receive Dojo points for submitted work and they will be awarded certificates when they reach 25 points. This will be shared every day during Zoom registration.

Y1-Y4

All of the children are able to access remote learning and many of you stated that recorded videos allow your children to work at times that suit you and them. Most of you stated that the current mixture of live registration and live afternoon story-time, and recorded videos for everything else is working well for you at the moment.

To support you in motivating the children we are also introducing Dojo points for Y1-Y4. At 2.30pm on a Friday afternoon, story time will be swapped for a celebration assembly where teachers will share how many Dojos points the children have earned for their fantastic work and effort. Teachers will also, at times throughout the week, inform parents individually of Dojo points that their children have earned. During this assembly, teachers will also give



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opportunities for children to share anything that they may not have had time to discuss on morning registration.

Furthermore, Friday's Grammar and Comprehension lesson will be replaced by a wider curriculum lesson which will encourage children (and parents!) to complete a fun, practical activity.

Finally, these are challenging times for everyone and it is important that you prioritise your own wellbeing as well as that of your child. Our Concordia Family Support Page has lots of great ideas and positive messages for you and your child, as well as sign posting local support services:

<https://www.facebook.com/Concordia-Family-Support-103071244956615>

Take care, we hope to see you all soon.

Yours sincerely,

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