



Edmodo Learning and Communication Platform



Code of Conduct for Use (V4 – January 2021)

Detailed below is the updated information about the Edmodo Learning and Communication Platform, as well as the expectations of staff, parents and children who are using it.

We hope that the use of the Edmodo site will mean that you can access elements of learning and provide easier lines of communication between your child/ren and their class teacher to help to maintain the sense of community which is such an important part of being in school.

You will have received joining instructions and a unique new class code, which will only allow your child to access learning for their class and to get responses from their class teacher. If you lose this information, please contact the school office to request another copy of the class code.

During the COVID-19 Lockdown 3, while most children are not in school, teachers will use this platform to set weekly/daily home learning tasks.

Teachers will continue to invite children to engage in particular learning tasks or make comments about whole class learning. Submitted work will not be marked and graded in the traditional sense, rather children will receive 0/1 if the teacher considers the task is not complete and more could be added or 1/1 once the work is completed, is marked and then 'virtually filed'. As the children submit specific learning tasks they work towards gaining a range of Edmodo badges, which each teacher, across the year groups will award in a slightly different way. This is in no-way a class or school competition. Teachers will provide individual feedback to children as appropriate.

As with any virtual learning activities, we believe it is important that everyone has a shared understanding of expectations. These are the expectations that we have identified as being important to our school community. Children and parents from Year 1 to Year 6 will use Edmodo, whilst parents of children in our Nursery and Reception classes will continue to use Tapestry – the online journal to help record all the learning and fun of children's early years education.

Please note that in the event of a local Medway/TVP school/Year Group/Class lockdown, Edmodo is used as the tool to communicate remote home learning for those children who are required to remain at home.

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Everyone will:

- Be Kind – comments and responses to posts must be kind at all times
- Be respectful of other people
- Remember that information, ideas and work, should remain within Edmodo. Nothing should be shared outside of the class or year group on any other social media platform
- Follow Safer Internet and Online Safety rules and behaviour, in line with our School Policies.
- Any inappropriate comments will be removed from the site, and the person responsible for posting may receive a letter with regards to this. Any concerns or dissatisfaction needs to be raised through our normal communication channels, via the school office (office@thamesviewprimary.medway.sch.uk) and marked for the attention of the appropriate person.

Teachers will:

- Ensure that specific homework/learning tasks are available for children and parents to view each week.
- Moderate posts before they appear live to the class community.
- Endeavour to respond to the children and / or parents within one working day.
- Mark any learning as incomplete/complete and send badges as appropriate.
- Provide individual feedback to pupils as appropriate.
- Use Edmodo to communicate with children and parents during usual working hours.

Pupils will:

- Complete the homework/learning tasks set to the best of their ability.
- Ask for help from their parents or teachers if they need it.
- Join in class or group discussions to share their ideas.
- Upload completed tasks or photographs of work during the weekend so that teachers can comment on the learning, grade as appropriate and award a badge for particular tasks.

Parents will:

- Encourage children to complete the learning set to the best of their ability, but taking into account your family circumstances.
- Help children to upload completed tasks or photographs of work so that teachers can comment on the learning.
- Inform teachers through a private message if their child is struggling, unable or unsure of how to complete a task.
- In the case of a concern or complaint, please contact the school via office@thamesviewprimary.medway.sch.uk and follow usual procedures.

PLEASE REMEMBER

*Edmodo is **not** the platform for venting frustration or anger towards staff members or for raising general or safeguarding concerns. Thank you.*