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Information for Parents/ Carers: *Seesaw for Schools*

Dear Parent/ Carer,

Over the past two weeks, we have been introducing a new online learning platform to our pupils. The platform is called *Seesaw*.

Seesaw is a simple way for teachers and pupils to record and share what's happening in the classroom. It also gives pupils a place to document their learning, be creative and learn how to use technology. Each pupil gets their own journal and will add things to it, like photos, videos, drawings, or notes.

During this half term, we are exploring the creative tools and using *Seesaw* to complete learning activities in class. After half term, we aim to use *Seesaw* for homework and, if the self-isolation of a contact group is necessary due to Covid-19, remote learning.

This letter gives you the guidance you need to support your child to access *Seesaw* at home. When your child logs in, you will be able to see their completed work, responses and feedback from their teacher and, where appropriate, responses from other pupils in the class and access any activities which need to be completed or finished.

An instruction video on how to access your child's *Seesaw* account can be found on our school website - MENU – CHILDREN – ST JOSEPH'S TV – Learning at home – A Guide or by clicking on the following link <https://st-josephs-rc-primary-glamorgan.primarysite.media>

At the end of this letter is a user guide for children, which, in addition to the video, will support you and your child at home.

Your child has already brought home their log in details for *Seesaw* on a bookmark. If you no longer have these details please email your child's class teacher using the year group email address e.g. year5@stjosephsrc.com.

Please log-in to *Seesaw* with your child over the next few days. You will be able to see some of the activities that have been completed so far in class and each teacher has set a learning at home activity for you to complete when you log in.

If you have any difficulties logging in to *Seesaw* please don't hesitate to contact your child's class teacher using the email account.

We will be sending further information about how we will use *Seesaw* for homework and remote learning, if it is necessary, over the next few weeks.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'L Taylor'.

Mrs L Taylor
Headteacher

Seesaw User Guide for children

Once you have successfully logged in you will arrive at the homepage/ dashboard for your class. It will show your class journal on the left and on the right you can find activities and your inbox.

There are 2 ways you can upload your work to Seesaw.

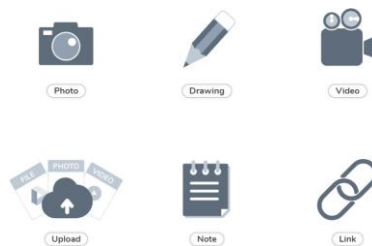
1. Post your work to the journal
2. Respond to an activity

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On your home page click on the green circle.

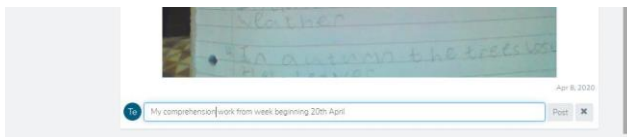


Follow the steps for your chosen work.



If asked to choose a folder you should try to find the one dated for that week.

When you have posted your work you can comment underneath to write a message to your teacher explaining your work.

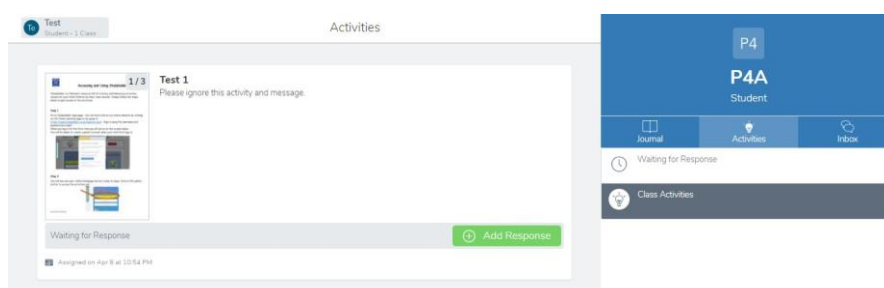


Your teacher will then need to approve your work. They can also 'like' it or leave you a comment.



2. Respond to an activity

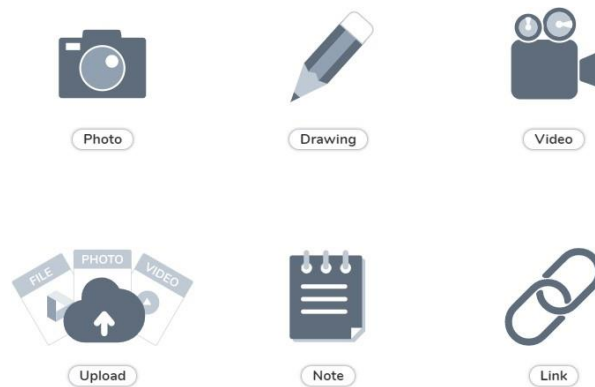
Click on the activities tab. Then choose an activity from the left.



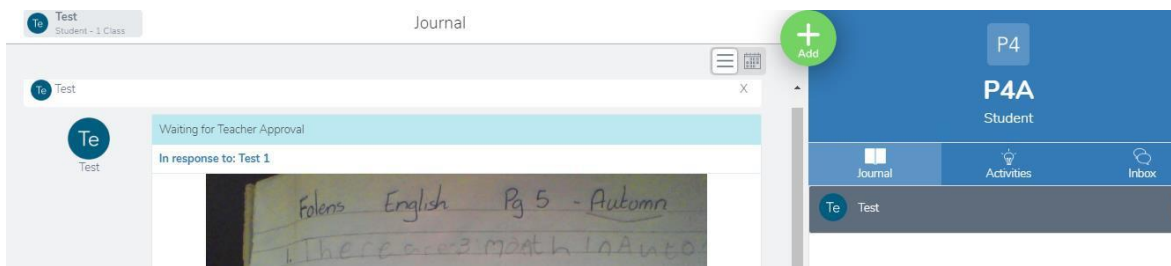
You can view the activity by clicking on it.

If you have completed the activity you can add a response to reply to your teacher with your completed work.

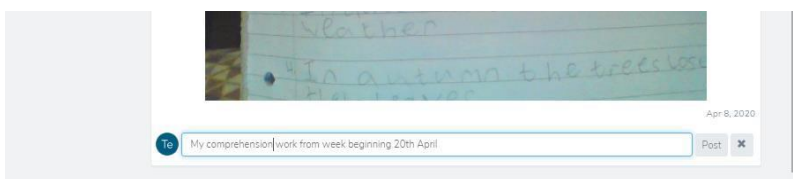
Choose which way you would like to post a response to your teacher.



When you have posted your response or work it will appear in the journal. It will need to be approved by your teacher.



You can comment under your post and explain it your teacher.



When your teacher has approved what you have posted they can like and comment under it.

