

Dear St. Joseph Parents and Students:

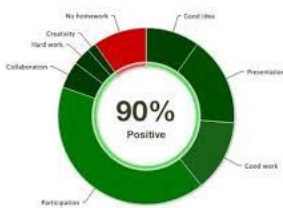
This year, the lower grade teachers (K-4<sup>th</sup>) are continuing to use a classroom management tool called ClassDojo.

ClassDojo is a web based program which allows teachers to track students' behaviors (positive AND negative) easily

and efficiently. The program is based on points, and students can be given positive points for things like being respectful, cooperating, following Jesus, participating, or working hard. On the other hand, points can be taken away if students are forgetting their homework, talking out of turn, being disrespectful, or not following directions.



Overall Performance



After students have been added to the system, there is a student access code we will give to each student so that they can log on to the website. On the site, they are able to see how many points they have, which positive behaviors were noted, and which negative behaviors they need to work on. The students will then "cash in" their points for fun privileges around the classroom.

One of the greatest features of ClassDojo is that it allows us to send parents a "behavior and skills report" every Friday by e-mail. All you need to do is use the parent access code to get signed up. Our hope is that this will help you better understand the progress of your student's behavior on a week-to-week basis and provide meaningful ways for students to grow in character.

Please contact us if you have any questions!

Yours,

Mrs. Mercurio, Ms. Verduce, Mrs. Long, Mrs. Kehoe and Mrs. Hammar

Our Mission:

St. Joseph Catholic School is a Catholic community that helps all persons grow to the fullness of their potential and in faith and knowledge.