Supporting your child on our VLE

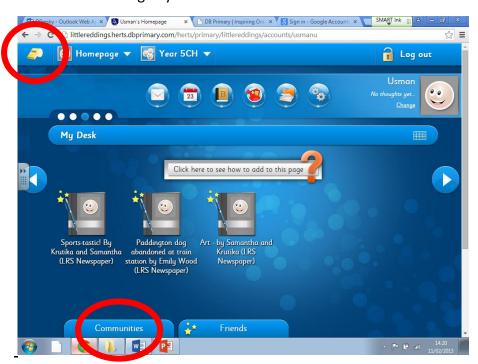
The following guide provides information about supporting your child's learning through our school's VLE (learning platform). Our school's VLE is a password protected intranet, where our students can develop their online confidence in a safe and educational world. This has been developed to reflect changes in the way our children use technology in a rapidly changing world.

In school provision

To ensure inclusive access for all, within the school week, we provide opportunities for all Key Stage two children to have access to the VLE. Lunch time clubs are provided during three days of the week to facilitate our pupil's access to the VLE (Monday, Tuesday and Friday). So, if they have any issues with the VLE or individual teacher's homework, we are here to help.

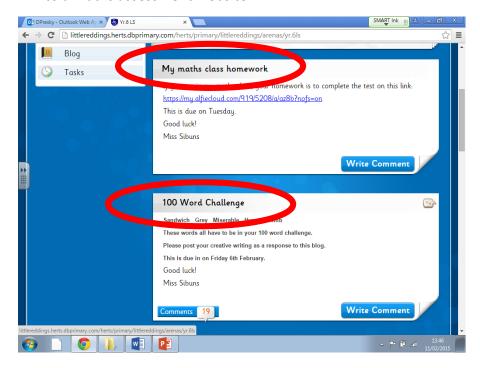
Whistle blowing

We are also committed for children to learn how to work online safely and responsibly. Embedded within each child's profile, there is a whistle in the top left corner. If your child is unhappy or worried by anything they see on any area of the VLE, they simply click on the whistle. By doing so, we receive a message and we will address the issue or concern in school the following day.



Communities on the VLE

There are a number of different communities that your child may be able to access through the communities tab. All children will be able to access their own class area, were different teachers can add homework, blogs and links. The following example is taken from a Year 6 class community. For example, below the class teacher has added a literacy challenge and a link to a maths assessment website.



The Learning Portal

In addition to class communities, we have two communal spaces where all Key Stage 2 children can access. The area below is known as 'The Learning Portal', here we have put together our most useful resources, recommended sites and apps. This area is not designed to act as subscribed homework, but as a resource area where our students can access safe and appropriate resources to pursue their own interests.



The LRS Newspaper

The LRS Newspaper community is an area where our children are invited to write articles about school events or subjects of personal interest. Other children then have the choice to contribute or comment articles to gain experience of writing for a purpose and become familiar with responsible communication within online environments.



Uploading files and formats

As well as posting replies to blogs and forums, children can upload work to their own personal area, known as the 'My Work' area. The VLE supports the upload of many common file types, so if a child is working on a PC or Mac, they can upload directly from the computer or work can be created and uploaded from a tablet. If you are experiencing any technical issues with the VLE, please ask your child to join us during one of our lunch time sessions.

If you would like to find out more about the VLE service that we are using, please follow the link below to the manufacture's website:

https://www.dbprimary.com/