

What is DB Primary?

DB Primary is our school's 'Primary Learning Cloud'. The Primary Learning Cloud is a safe area on the internet for pupils to share work and access a wide range of learning resources.

DB Primary is specifically designed to improve digital literacy standards for primary school children and support the teaching of online safety. Included are online activities for Maths, English and Computing, along with forums, blogs, year group communities and creative online tools.

Practical benefits for pupils:

DB Primary will enable pupils to:

- ✓ Access learning materials from home
- ✓ Share work they have done at home with their teacher and class community.
- ✓ Improve their ICT skills

Practical benefits for parents & carers:

DB Primary will enable parents and carers to:

- ✓ Support children with their learning and sharing of their work
- ✓ Access their child's personal home page to keep track of their work
- ✓ Start conversations about the importance of online safety

How do I log into DB Primary?

You can find our school's DB Primary login page on our school website by clicking on the home learning section in the Parent tab, or via the address below:



http://spofforth.n-yorks.dbprimary.com



Your child has been given a login and password by their teacher. Please type the username and then click 'Log in' (do not enter your picture password at this stage). This will take you to a page where you can enter the password which is a combination of 3 animal pictures. Click on the green tick once you have entered your password and your child will be logged in!

Once you they are logged in, your child will see their homepage. From here they can access tasks their teacher has set for them to complete. These tasks will always be year group appropriate and chosen carefully with your child in mind. Your child's teacher is able to monitor the tasks your child completes, see their scores, send them feedback and build up an overall picture of how frequently they are furthering their learning at home.



By using other functions on their homepage, children can also:

- Access other learning activities and games of their choice ('Activities')
- Write a blog post ('Write Entry')
- Write messages to send to their classmates or their teacher ('Mail')
- Upload scans/photos of learning they have done at home ('My Work')



The notification bell will show you if you have any new messages or outstanding tasks that need to be completed.

What are the safety guidelines for children?

Please reinforce these guidelines with your child at home. Anything your child puts onto DB Primary can be seen by members of staff.

- Sensible behaviour when using the blogs or forums
- Make sure that any pictures you upload (profile picture, or pictures in posts) are suitable for a school audience
- Keep your personal details and password safe
- Being kind when leaving comments on other's work

Whistle alerts: Reporting inappropriate content



DBPrimary has an automatic profanity filter which is designed to block any inappropriate language, which also includes ambiguous words such as 'hate'. All messages can be reviewed, checked and traced to the sender. Teachers can block the message sending option if they think it necessary. Any inappropriate content can be reported to staff at the school by clicking on the whistle icon. A popup will appear to allow an explanation to be entered and the alert is sent to teachers. The Whistle Monitor ensures that children are able to use DB Primary in a safe and secure way. Please talk to children about only using the whistle function when needed.

It is important for our pupils to use the Internet safely at school and at home. Please spend some time looking at this online safety website: http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/

How do school intend DBPrimary to be used?

DBPrimary is first and foremost a learning platform. Children should use it predominantly to complete tasks sent by their teacher and share their learning. Where appropriate, teachers will be using DBPrimary as part of their regular learning in class to ensure they become familiar with it, which will improve their readiness for remote learning if needed.

Teachers will also encourage children to log in at home to explore the learning activities/games and complete specific tasks they have set for them. As we have a 'no homework' policy, tasks will not be set on a weekly basis but at teacher discretion to ensure that the learning is purposeful. Teachers may choose to set tasks for the following reasons:

- Your child needs some more practise and consolidation in a particular area of learning (for example using the inverse operation in maths).
- Your child has missed important learning during a recent period of absence and this will help them 'catch up'.
- Your child's class is required to stay at home due to COVID-19 related issues and need to continue their learning remotely.
- A new topic is coming up in class and it would be beneficial for your child to have some prior experience in that area.
- Your child has expressed an interest in an area of learning and may enjoy this activity.

We are currently working on updating our remote learning policy to provide you with information about how your child's learning will continue at home if they are not able to attend school due to COVID-19 related issues. In the event of this, the use of DBPrimary will be key feature of our home learning provision.

We really hope that having access to DBPrimary will be a helpful way in which you can support your child at home and that children can begin to take responsibility for furthering their own learning independently.