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Tapestry - An Online Learning Journal

Dear Parents,

From this term we have chosen to use an online system of recording your child’s learning in Reception. Tapestry is a website which can be accessed on a computer or laptop, and also on any Apple or Android device such as a tablet or smartphone. We have chosen this company because they are a secure and also exciting way of keeping track of your child’s development and their time with us.

We will be able to instantly upload photos, videos and observations of your children. You are then emailed to alert you that something new has been added to your child’s Learning Journal and can log on and view what your child has been up to. A massive advantage of this system is that you can instantly add your own comments to entries, and can show your child’s online book to members of the family.

The safeguarding of our children is very important to us. Everything that is added to Tapestry will be added to our school account and can only be viewed by school staff that use the system, and also yourself, using your own log on. You will only have access to your child’s own book and this cannot be seen by other parents. Also, it is crucial that you do not share photos or videos from your child’s book on social media or through other online platforms. Any incidents where this confidentiality is broken will be dealt with very seriously and will result in your access to the system being withdrawn.

We would also like to signpost you to Tapestry’s website where you will find lots of information and videos:  http://eyfs.info/tapestry-info/introduction

Attached to this letter is a permission and information slip to allow us to set up a Tapestry account for your child. Please sign and return it to your child’s teacher as soon as possible. You can have an account for each parent per child if you wish. If so, please put both names and email addresses on the permission form.

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards

Reception team
Child’s Name:______________________________________________________________

Class:

Please delete as appropriate

- I do/ do not give permission for an online Tapestry Learning Journey to be created and maintained for my child.
- I do/ do not give permission for my child’s photo to appear in any group photos used in Learning Journeys.
- I agree not to electronically share, by social media or other platforms, any part of my child’s Learning Journey.

Parent name and surname:

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The email address I wish to use for my Tapestry account is:

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Parent name and surname:

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The email address I wish to use for my Tapestry account is:

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Parent/Carer signature: ____________________________

Date:_____________________

Please return this slip to your child’s teacher as soon as possible.