TAPESTRY ONLINE LEARNING JOURNAL



What Is Tapestry?

- An Online learning journal system which allows us to create an individual learning journey for every child in Reception.
- We can add comments, notes, photographs and videos of your child and then link these to the Early Years Curriculum and the Characteristics of Effective Learning.
- Staff record children's progress and activities using tablet devices and PCs.
- Parents can view their child's journal on mobile devices and on their home computers and can make observations of their own using a secure login system.

Why Are We Using Tapestry?

- It creates a two-way communication between us (the EYFS team), and you (the parents and carers).
- We can upload flexible media meaning you can see pictures and videos of what your child is up to at school.
- Greater opportunities to extend your child's learning at home you can view next steps and communicate with us about your child's learning.
- Unlike a physical, hard copy book, it's easy to share with groups of relatives, such as extended families, separated parents and relatives living overseas.
- It is important to remember in Reception, teachers and TAs are constantly observing and assessing the children in a range of ways – not just using Tapestry.

How Does It Work?

- Photos, videos and observations are uploaded to Tapestry.
- It is accessed via the Android/iOS app or the Tapestry website.
- It enables you to comment on observations or add your own, so you can show us what your child is doing outside the school day – weekend trips, exciting learning opportunities, trip to the shops etc.
- Email notifications can be sent to inform parents of new observations and comments.
- By viewing Tapestry with your child you can talk to them about their experiences at school and what they have learnt. You may get more conversation at the end of the school day than the normal "I didn't do anything" ^(C).

How Is The Data Protected?

- A password is required to access Tapestry, and parents can only view observations of their own children.
- We don't need to store any of the data entered onto Tapestry, they store it for us on secure cloud servers within the EU.
- Data is stored separately for each school.
- Tapestry's developers and support personnel require our permission to access our Tapestry account.

Safe usage

• No information from Tapestry can be shared with other people or published in any way.

• This means that photographs or videos from Tapestry cannot be posted on a social networking site or displayed in a public place.

• Anybody found to be misusing Tapestry or adding inappropriate comments will have their parent account withdrawn.

What Does It Look Like?

Observations	∲ Children	🌲 📃 Mary Tapestry 🗝
	Finn Tapestry EYFS 2	
	GARDEN PLAY 20 Oct 2016 11:28 AM by Previous Nursery Staff Finn found a tyre in the back garden. I asked if he could roll it. He pushed The tyre then fell to the floor and Finn said " uh oh". Finn then ran over to	
		Comments
	Bear hunts in Friston forest 16 Oct 2016 04:03 PM by Previous Nursery Relative Relative	Previous Nursery Staff Staff - 16 Oct 2016 04:21 PM
	Today we went on a bear hunt. We stumbled and tripped through the for things to bring to nursery. We found a bear but it turned out to be Daddy	Wow! what a lovely walk you had Finn! It looks like you found lots of leaves and sticks. Your dog looks
	AUTUMN GLOOP 10 Oct 2016 01:35 PM by Previous Nursery Staff	Previous Nursery Staff Staff - 17 Oct 2016 10:19 AM
	Today I enjoyed playing with the autumn gloop. It had leaves and sticks in putting it over his hands saying 'its funny and sticky'.	Such lovely photos Finn, looks like lots of fun was had by all :) thank you for sharing
	Finn Tapestry EYFS 4	Mary Tapestry Relative - 26 Oct 2016 02:20 PM
and l	PLAYDOH BIRTHDAY CAKE 10 Oct 2016 10:46 AM by Previous Nursery Staff Finn made a "cake" with a "candle" using the play dough. He showed me	Thank you, we had a lovely time
	to you' and pretended to blow the candle out. He then laughed and clap;	Add a comment
	LUCA'S KEYPERSON	
	29 Sep 2016 03:06 PM by Previous Nursery Staff This term Finn's keyperson will be: Frances	
	🚆 Finn Tapestry 🚺 1	
	TEDDY BEARS PICNIC	Add Reply



Today we went on a bear hunt. We stumbled and tripped through the forest. Finn collected a bag of Autumn things to bring to nursery. We found a bear but it turned out to be Daddy and he gave a fright! 🐻

What can Tapestry be used on?

- Tapestry can be used on iPhone, Androids, IOS phones, laptops and computers.
- If you do not have access to any of the above, there are computers and iPads in school that you can use to look at your child's profile.
- You can find user guides in the Tapestry section on our school website.

My uploads and comments

You can upload:

- Experiences you have shared together that may connect to learning in school.
- Achievements like swimming or gymnastics award, writing, counting, colouring, painting almost everything is helpful!
- Tell us if they have been doing anything similar at home or mentioned their learning.
- Especially add comments if you are surprised they have achieved something you were unaware that they could do.

When Will We Get Started?

- We have sent out introductory letters and Microsoft form for you to complete. This form must be completed prior to you accessing your child's account.
- Make sure you've signed up via the email link.
- Check your spam folder if nothing comes through).
- Contribute to their entries.
- Talk to your child about what you have seen on Tapestry.

Any problems...

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.



