



What is Tapestry?

Tapestry is an on-line 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.

How do we use Tapestry?

In Reception, we are constantly observing, monitoring and assessing the children's learning. To do this, we take photographs and videos as evidence of the children's experiences and achievements. We then link these to the corresponding objectives from the Early Years Curriculum so that we can assess your child's progress. We also monitor areas for development through suggesting next steps and setting manageable targets.

The advantages of using Tapestry

- ★ Tapestry tools allow us to monitor the coverage of all areas of the curriculum and highlights areas that need further development.
- ★ Tapestry allows us to keep video evidence of the children which is a powerful assessment tool, particularly with regards to Communication and Language Development.
- ★ Tapestry has the facility to email parents whenever a new observation is added to their child's Learning Journey to keep you up-to-date with what your child has been learning about in school. This is a great way to start the "What did you do at school today?" conversation at home and might mean you get a better response than "nothing"!
- ★ Parents can add their own observations to share progress and milestones achieved at home.

Parent Contributions

We would love for you to comment on your children's Learning Journey and are confident that you will really enjoy having regular updates on your child's experiences in school. It would be fantastic if you could add your own observations of your child when you notice them doing wonderful things at home. However, this does come with the responsibility of using the system securely.

Safe Usage

- ★ No information from Tapestry can be shared with other people or published in any way without the explicit consent of the parents or carers of those children who may be included.
- ★ 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- ★ Anybody found to be misusing Tapestry or adding inappropriate comments will have their parent account withdrawn.

Parent Account

We will set up accounts for all parents who have given us an up-to-date email address. We can also link a child's account to two different email addresses if necessary. The accounts are password protected - please change this password the first time you log in to the account.

Up-to-date email address information

Child's name:

Parents name:

Email address: