Tapestry

Online Learning Journeys

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What is Tapestry?

Tapestry is an online system which allows us to create an individual Learning Journey for every child in Class 1.

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 will we use Tapestry?

In Early Years we are constantly observing and assessing the children and we take photographs and videos as evidence of the children's experiences and achievements.

We link these to objectives from the Early Years Curriculum so that we can assess and monitor your child's progress as well as areas for development.

The advantages of using Tapestry

Tapestry tools allow us to monitor the coverage of all areas of the curriculum and highlight 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 and role play.

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 in school. (Great way to start the "What did you do at school today?" conversation and might mean you get a better response than "nothing!"

Parents have 24/7 access to their child's Learning Journey and can comment on the observations added by school staff.

Parents can add their own observations to share progress and milestones achieved at home.

Parent Contributions

We would love you to comment on your children's Learning Journeys 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Anybody found to be misusing Tapestry or adding inappropriate comments may have their account withdrawn.

Parent Account

We have set up accounts for all parents who have supplied us with an up-to-date email address. You will receive an activation email with a link which will take you to Tapestry and prompt you to decide on a password for your child's Learning Journal.

We will issue your activation email on receipt of the completed Tapestry image consent form. These are available for you to sign this afternoon in exchange for your activation email and parent guide to Tapestry.

Tritlington First School website

In the Class 1 part of the school website, we have created a Tapestry page where there is a link direct to the Tapestry website, as well as a copy of the Tapestry security and privacy policy.

Any questions before we log on and have a look at an online Learning Journey?