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Tapestry – An Online Learning Journal

Dear Parents,

From this term we have chosen to use an online system of recording the reception children's learning. 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 throughout the year.

Tapestry will enable us 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. An 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.

Another fantastic feature of Tapestry is that parents and carers are also able to upload photographs and observations of significant learning that happens at home. This gives us a clear picture of the child as a whole, using observations of children's development from both home and school.

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.

We are very excited about introducing this system to our school and would like you to find out more about it too. Accompanying this letter you will find some Frequently Asked Questions about the system as well as a user guide for parents. I 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 slip. Please sign and return it to your child's teacher as soon as possible. You will be given your account details by the end of next week.

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

Kind regards

Mrs Beckley

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Permission Slip

Child's Name: _____

- I give permission for an online Tapestry Learning Journey to be created and maintained for my child.
- I 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.

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

Please use _____ (first and surname) as my username.

Parent/Carer signature: _____

Date: _____

Please return this slip to Mrs Beckley or Ms Head as soon as possible.



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