Dear Parents and Carers

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We are very pleased to announce that we have been trialling using Tapestry as our online learning journal provider and are now ready to launch it to parents.

Tapestry allows you to login with a secure username and password so you can view all your children’s observations, photographs and videos. You can ‘like’ and ‘comment on’ observations that we add for your child and it is also possible for you to add your own observations. Your comments and own observations will allow us to find out about which activities your child really enjoyed and share their home learning.

You can also amend the set-up of Tapestry so you notified via email either immediately, daily or weekly, if there are new entries for you to view.

Staff will link observations to the Development Matters framework so you will know in which area of learning your child is achieving and the age-band they were working in for that activity. Please note, not all observations will be assessed and this journal is only a snapshot of your child's experience at school and not a record of the day. Tapestry will not be used as our only means of assessment.

All data that is entered to Tapestry is stored securely on their servers. If you are interested in finding out more information about this, you can go to https://tapestry.info/security.

Once we have set you up with an account you will be able to login using any web browser from tapestryjournal.com or by downloading the Tapestry app from the Play or App store, depending on what type of device you are using. Remember, if you are going to use the App version of Tapestry to ensure auto updates are turned on for your device so you always have the most up to date version of the app.

We will set you up using your email address and once this has been done, you will receive an activation email from which you can set up your own password to login with. You will also be asked to set up a 4-digit PIN which you can use on the Tapestry app to quickly log back in once you’ve initially logged in. Do remember to keep an eye out on your spam/junk folders for this email.

Parents from Bumblebee Class and Butterfly Class are welcome to attend a short workshop about how Tapestry works in the School Hall at 2.30 pm on Thursday 27th February with Miss Donovan. Please complete the reply slip on-line by using this link – https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=FU48tNJMtUmhKRQyRyFNoorHczR2gUVGsXF9dgsR1EUOUY1STcxN0tGWDNQI4NTWFU2VzIESINUOC4u

We do hope you enjoy using Tapestry, do let us know if you have any questions about it.

Yours sincerely

The EYFS Team