TAPESTRY

Online Learning Journeys

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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 our Reception classes, 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 any areas for development.

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 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 about in pre-school. (Great way to start the "What did you do today?" conversation and might mean you get a better response than "nothing"!!)
- ★ Parents have access 24/7 to their child's Learning Journey and can comment on the observations added by 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 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- ★ Anybody found to be misusing Tapestry or adding inappropriate comments will have their parent account withdrawn.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 have set up accounts for all parents using the main email address kept in our office. The accounts are password protected - please change this password the first time you log in to the account.

We will issue your usernames and passwords on receipt of the completed Tapestry image consent form.

If you have already got an account from using Tapestry at pre-school, you will be able to use your existing account and password. We will re-activate your account when you sign the consent form.

How to access Tapestry...

We will give you an information sheet at the end with the website address on.

Google - Tapestry Online Learning

Manor Park website - In the Reception section there is a link direct to the Tapestry website, as well as a copy of the Tapestry security and privacy policy.

You can also access Tapestry by downloading the app.

We will now log on and have a look at an online learning journey.

Any questions?