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## Tapestry online learning journals

Dear Parents/Carers,

The EYFS curriculum is unique in school as it places equal priority across all areas of the curriculum. To us, your child's PSHE (personal, social and health education), PE, expressive arts and understanding of the world are equally as important as developing their reading, writing and number skills.

As well as writing and maths books, at the end of your child's first year of school we will provide you with a learning journal, which catalogues your child's progress against these other key areas of learning. We use an online learning journal called Tapestry to do this. There are many benefits to having an online Tapestry account.

- You can receive your child's observations by email in 'real time' throughout the day and see what they are learning. Looking through the electronic learning journal with your child in the evening is a great way to start a discussion about what they have been learning that day.
- 4 of the local nurseries use Tapestry, so information can be shared easily between the school and your child's pre-school setting. This will mean that from day 1 we can set work that is the appropriate challenge for your individual child
- You can add comments and questions onto each observation for your child's teacher to see and respond to. You will also be able to see how your child is attaining – whether they are working at their age expectation on each observation.
- Instead of just paper copies of work, you will have access to videos, sound recordings and photographs as a record of your child's first year of school.
- You are able to add observations to your child's learning journal, so we can see the fantastic learning your child does out of school. This helps us to build a really in depth picture of your child as an individual learner and can help us make their time in school more engaging.

Tapestry is confidential to you and your child, only staff at school and people you allow access can see Tapestry. You will receive a link to your child's Tapestry account via the email address you provided the office with. Please ensure you have activated that link so you can experience the full benefits of your child's learning journal.

Yours sincerely,  
Ms House and Miss Clark

