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Dear Parents and Carers

## **Tapestry – An online learning journal**

At Iford and Kingston School, we have chosen to use an online system of recording your child's learning in Reception.

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 smart phone. We have chosen this company because they provide a secure and also exciting way of keeping track of your child's development and their time with us.

Instead of using the old paper book style way of recording, we will be able to 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 you can log on and view what your child has been up to. A massive advantage of this system is that you can instantly add your own comments to entries, and you can show your child's online book to members of the family too.

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.

Attached to this letter you will find:

- Some Frequently Asked Questions about the system. 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>
- A permission and information slip to allow us to set up a Tapestry account for your child. Please sign and return it as soon as possible. You will then receive an email from Tapestry with your account details and log in instructions.

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

Kind regards

Karen Knight

School Secretary, Iford and Kingston School Office



# TAPESTRY

ONLINE LEARNING JOURNAL

## **How do I get onto the system?**

If you consent to us using Tapestry for your child, school will set up an account for you and provide you with log on details.

Tapestry can be accessed online at: <http://eyfs.info/tapestry-info/introduction>

It is available as a free app from the Apple Store and also on Android devices.

We will ask you to provide us with an email address so that we can set you up a personal account. This will be a secure way of logging in, and you will only be able to see your own child's book.

## **I don't have a computer, laptop, tablet or smartphone. How can I access Tapestry?**

If you are unable to access the Internet on any device at home, then you will still be able to access your child's book by arranging a convenient time with your child's teacher to come into school. You will be provided with access to your child's account and support if needed.

## **I am not very confident with computers or the Internet. How can I access Tapestry?**

One of the reasons for us choosing Tapestry was ease of use. It is a very easy system to use, but should you have any problems, a member of the Hedgehog Team will be happy to support you.

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### **Tapestry – An Online Learning Journal Permission Slip**

**Child's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

- I do/ do not give permission for an online Tapestry Learning Journey to be created and maintained for my child.
- I do/ do not 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 the school office before 19 July if possible.