


# TAPESTRY

ONLINE LEARNING JOURNAL




## What Is Tapestry?

- An Online learning journal system.
- Staff record children's progress and activities using iPads and PCs.
- Parents can view their child's journal on mobile devices and on their home computers, and can make observations of their own using a secure login system.
- When the child leaves the setting, parents can be given PDF copies of the Journal, and a copy of the journal can be transferred to other schools that use Tapestry for them to continue with it.



## Why Are We Using Tapestry?

- It creates a two way communication between us (the EYFS team), and you (the parents and carers).
- We can upload flexible media meaning you can see pictures and videos of what your children are really up to at school.
- Greater opportunities to extend your child's learning at home – you can view your child's learning and communicate with us whenever you like.
- Unlike a physical, hard copy book, it's easy to share with groups of relatives, such as extended families, separated parents and relatives living overseas.



## How Does It Work?

- Photos, videos and observations are uploaded to Tapestry.
- It is accessed via the android/iOS app or the Tapestry website.
- It enables you to comment on observations or add your own, so you can show us what your child is doing outside the school day – weekend trips, exciting learning opportunities, trip to the shops etc.
- Email notifications can be sent to inform parents of new observations and comments.

## How We Use It

- Ongoing assessment by all staff of all children
- More observations than with a solely paper version
- Weekly updates to parents
- Informs our assessment profile of each child

## What Does It Look Like?

The screenshot shows a digital interface with a feed of posts. The posts include:

- Test 12** Jul 2014 16:20 by Sarah O'Leary 2014
- Psed** Jul 2014 05:51 PM by Eoin Wallace 2014
- making 60** Jul 2014 10:42 PM by Elizabeth Ireland
- Baking a cake** Jul 2014 10:42 PM by Elizabeth Ireland
- Number of the week** Jul 2014 10:42 PM by Elizabeth Ireland
- Reading** Jul 2014 10:42 PM by Elizabeth Ireland

There is a photo of a cake in the top right. A reply is shown from **Joe Gardner** on Oct 20 15 10:02 PM: "Yes of course I will make sure to bring a slice". A "Leave a reply" section is visible at the bottom.



## How Is The Data Protected?

- A password is required to access Tapestry, and parents can only view observations of their own children, or with permission, group observations.
- Hosted on Tapestry's own servers in a secure UK data centre.
- Tapestry uses the same encryption as online banking.
- Data is stored separately for each school.
- Tapestry's developers and support personnel require our permission to access our Tapestry account.