Parent's guide to Tapestry

Introduction

All children attending Countryside Day Nursery now have a personal online Learning Journey which records photos, observations and comments in line with the Early Years Foundation Stage. This enables us to build up a record of each child's learning and achievements during their time with us.

We use the Tapestry system, which is hosted on secure, dedicated servers based in the UK. You will have a password protected access to your child's online Learning Journey and we encourage you to contribute to it by uploading photos, videos and comments of their learning development and experiences at home. You are also able to comment on observations made by Countryside staff.

Please complete and return the attached permissions form to enable us to set up your child's online learning journal.

Where do I start?

Once you have signed and returned your permission slip and consent form your child's learning journal will be set up. You will be emailed, using the email provided, with a link to the Tapestry log on page, your user name (which is your email address) and your password. We strongly recommend that you change your password on your first visit.

The Tapestry app is free of charge and available from i tunes and google play for both i phones and android phones.

Changing my settings in tapestry

On the computer

At the top right of your screen you will your name, selecting this will give you the option to 'Edit preferences'. Choose this option and you will be presented with a screen giving you the option to change your email address and password.

You also have the option to request an email to be sent to you whenever a new observation is added to your child's learning journey

On iphone/ipad

To change your settings on the iphone/ipad app, click the 'cog' button on the bottom right hand side of the application. This enables you to change password and or email address.

Viewing my child's Learning Journey

You will see your child's observations on your 'obs' tab (home screen) – selecting any one of these will open up the observation for you to look at. You may add comments in the box at the bottom.

Adding an entry to my child's Learning Journey

Choose the 'Add observation' option (or the plus icon on your iphone/ipad) and add the relevant information into the boxes on the screen. Photos and videos may be uploaded by choosing the 'add media' option. Once you have saved your observation you may go back to the home screen.

If you have any problems please email info@countrysidedaynursery.co.uk

Please Note:

The online learning journey is used to record your child's learning and achievements. It is not to be used as a general communication tool between Nursery and home as it may not be monitored on a daily basis. This is a record of your child's learning journey so please communicate any messages to staff or email Grace at <u>info@countrysidedaynursery.co.uk</u>

Tapestry permission Slip

I give permission for Countryside Day Nursery to create an online Tapestry Learning Journey and to be photographed/videoed with other children for both observational and educational purposes
Child's Name
The email address I would like to link with the account so I can have access to my child's
Learning Journey is:-
Email address 1
Email Address 2
SignedDateDate

Signed......Date.....Date.