



**St Joseph's Catholic Primary School  
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Dear Parents and Carers,

As part of your child's Early Years education, we are required to complete learning journeys to document your child's progress. We have always chosen to produce these in paper format in preference to online. However, we find ourselves in a time where we are unable to share things with you easily, coupled with that, your incredible support when your child is in focus, we have decided to move to the online platform Tapestry from the start of next term. Not only will this be more efficient, it is safer in the current climate and eco-friendly.

I know that some of you will be familiar with Tapestry but for those that aren't, Tapestry allows you to login with a secure username and password to view all of your child's observations, photographs and videos. You can like and comment on observations that we add for your child and it's also possible for you to add your own observations. Your comments and own observations will support us to find out about which activities your child really enjoyed and the learning they get up to at home.

In order for you to be able to access your child's learning journey in January, we need your permission to set your own private account using your email address. This account will be directly linked to your child's account, which means you will only be able to see observations that include your child. You will then be able to login with your email address and password to either the browser version of Tapestry ([tapestryjournal.com](http://tapestryjournal.com)) or to the app. Tapestry has apps for iOS, Android and Amazon Fire devices. If you choose to use the app, after you login initially, you can use a 4-digit PIN to quickly log back in.

Tapestry securely stores all the data we input to our account on their servers. If you would like to find out more information about how Tapestry keeps our data safe and secure, please visit <https://tapestry.info/security.html>.

To support us in setting up your child's Tapestry account, please fill in the slip below and return the form by email to the office by **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December**.

In the New Year, if you wish to access the account, we will provide you with your own login details, how to access the account and we will set up a page on the school website to support you with this.

If you have any questions or queries about Tapestry, please get in touch with me via the school office or [slt@st-josephs.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:slt@st-josephs.gloucs.sch.uk) and I will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Kind regards,

Miss McCarthy

I would like to be added to my child's account to be part of their learning journey **Yes / No**

The e-mail address I would like to link with the account is:

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I give permission for a Tapestry account to be created for me (please sign and date):

Signature:

Date:

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### **Tapestry Image Consent Form**

As we will be introducing Tapestry as our online learning journal provider, this will enable us to send you observations of your child which might include photos and videos. If you give your permission in the form below, you will be able to see group observations which might include photos and videos with other children in.

**Please read and indicate your consent clearly:**

1. I consent to photographs and videos of my child being taken by school

Yes

No

2. I consent to photographs and videos of my child being uploaded to Tapestry Online Learning Journal

Yes

No

3. I consent to photographs containing my child's image being included in other children's learning journals

Yes

No

4. I agree to treat photographs containing images of other children as well as my own as for my own personal use only. This means that the information cannot be shared with others, or published in any way, without the explicit consent of the parents or guardian of those children who may be included. For example, any such photographs **cannot** be posted on a social networking site or displayed in a public place.

Yes

No

Signed by parent/guardian:

Name of child: