## Additional support for Parents/

Carers

We hope that this leaflet has been useful for you to learn more about Tapestry and how you can use it securely and easily at home.

If you need any more support with using Tapestry there is a parent/ carer support page available just go to <u>https://tapestry.info/parents-</u> <u>carers.html</u>.



If you have any questions or need some support in accessing your parent/carer Tapestry account please do not hesitate to get in contact with us.

Contact Us

Telephone: 0172675858

Email: hello@sandyhill.org.uk

Sandy Hill Academy

Sandy Hill

St Austell

PL25 3AT



## An Introduction to



How to use Tapestry to support your child's learning



## What is Tapestry?

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. The Tapestry website can be accessed by going to <u>tapestryjournal.com/</u>.

In the Early Years, Tapestry is a secure online Learning Journal that allows you and your child's class teacher to record photos, observations and comments, in line with the Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum, to build up a record of your child's experiences during their time in Nursery and Reception at Sandy Hill Academy.





In KS1, Tapestry is a really useful online tool where your child can access their homework activities set by their class teacher. It is also a great way to allow you to keep up to date with your child's homework and promotes a successful link between learning in school and at home for your child.

## How to use Tapestry

Tapestry has been created to provide easy but secure access to your child's Learning Journal and homework tasks.

To set up your parent/carer Tapestry account, we will firstly ask you to provide us with an email address. If you give consent to using Tapestry for your child, we will set up a parent/carer account for you and send you an activation email to enable you to activate your account with log in details. Once you log in to your new Tapestry account you will have secure access to your own child's profile and Learning Journal.

When you login to your account for the first time, you will see your child's observations on your home screen in a list – selecting any one of these will open up the observation for you to look at.

If your child is in the Early Years you are able to add your own observations from home, simply choose the 'Add Observation' option (or the 'plus' icon on your iPhone/iPad/ Android) and add the relevant information in the boxes on screen. Photos and videos may be uploaded by choosing the 'add media' option. When you have saved your observation, you may go back to the home screen at any time by choosing 'home'. If your child is in KS1 you can view your child's termly homework tasks by choosing the 'Documents' tab at the top of the screen. By clicking this tab you will see 'Folders' and 'All Files' containing your child's homework tasks to be completed throughout each term and support materials available for you to download. At the start of each term, the KS1 class teachers will update and add new resources to the existing folders and files under the 'Documents' tab. It is likely that you will receive notifications when these resources are being added but you will only need to access the resources and homework tasks labelled for your child's year group. By selecting the 'Memos' tab at the top of the screen, you will be able to access your child's weekly homework tasks.

Once your child has completed their homework task, you can enable your child's class teacher to access this by adding a new observation and uploading a picture or document file of your child's completed home work activity. Your child's class teacher will then be able to provide feedback on your child's homework by adding a comment to your observation.

As well as being able to access observations and your child's homework tasks, you will also have access to an 'Activities' tab. By selecting the 'Activities' tab you will be able to view a range of activities created by your child's class teacher or Tapestry.