



TAPESTRY
ONLINE LEARNING
JOURNAL

Tapestry Online Learning Journal

What is Tapestry?

- ▶ Tapestry is an online learning journal system
- ▶ There is an app and browser version available
- ▶ We can use it to record children's learning and development using tablet devices and PCs
- ▶ We can set you up as parents with your own secure logins so you can view, comment on and add your own observations to their child's journal
- ▶ When your child leaves, we can export a PDF copy of your child's journal and a ZIP file including photos and videos for you
- ▶ If they move to another setting also using Tapestry, their journal can be transferred across as well as your account

Why are we using Tapestry?

- ▶ It creates a two way communication between school and parents/carers
- ▶ We can upload media, meaning you can see pictures and videos of what your child is really up to whilst they are with us
- ▶ There are greater opportunities to extend your child's learning at home – you can view next steps, add your own observations 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 is the data kept safe?

- ▶ A password is required to access Tapestry, remember the stronger the password you set, the more secure your account is
- ▶ You are linked manually to your child/children so you can only view observations for them
- ▶ We don't need to store any of the data entered onto Tapestry, they store it for us on secure cloud servers within the EU
- ▶ Data is stored separately for each school
- ▶ Tapestry's developers and support personnel require our permission to access our Tapestry account
- ▶ For more information about Tapestry security you can go on their website <https://tapestry.info/security.html>



Logging in

- ▶ To login to Tapestry we will need to have an email address for you
- ▶ Once you activate your account you can then login using your email and password
- ▶ You can reset your password by email if you forget it
- ▶ Passwords are case sensitive
- ▶ Remember to set a strong password



The login form is enclosed in a blue border. It features the Tapestry logo at the top left, followed by the text 'TAPESTRY' in large grey letters and 'ONLINE LEARNING JOURNAL' in smaller grey letters. Below this, there are two input fields: 'Email address' and 'Password'. A blue 'Log In' button is positioned below the password field. At the bottom left of the form, there is a link that says 'Having trouble logging in?'.

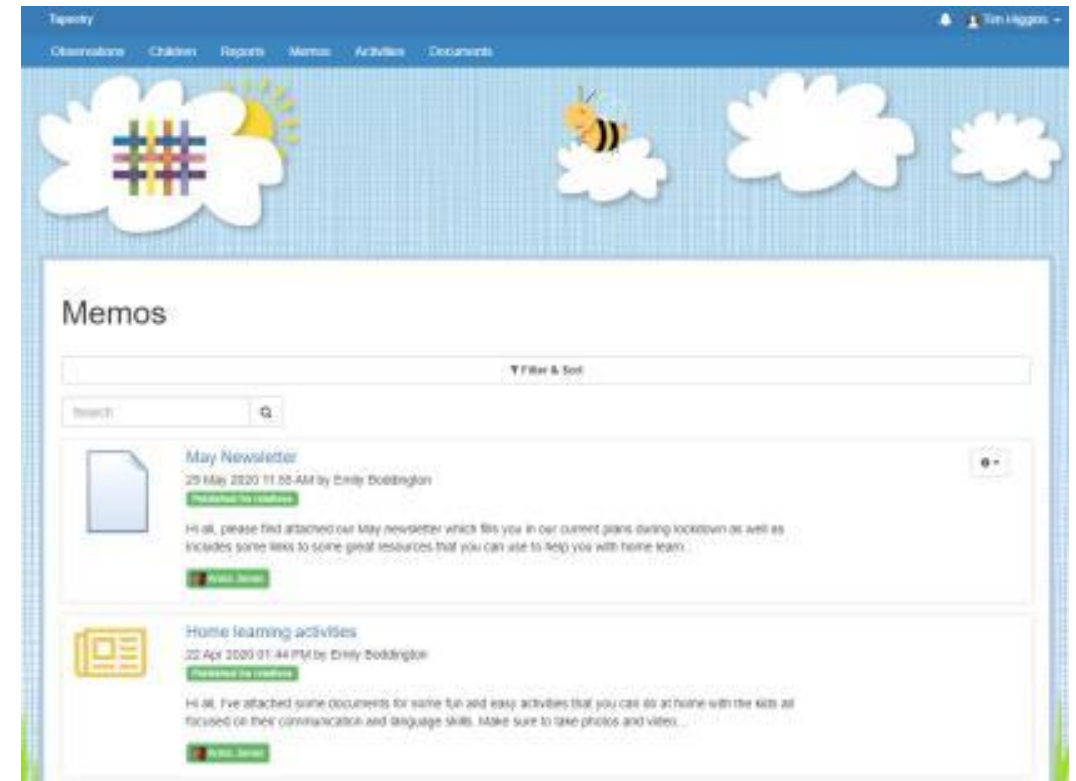
Observations

- ▶ When you login to your account you will be able to see any observations for your child that have been added to their journal
- ▶ You will be able to see any photos/videos/audio files/documents attached to the observation, though if it's a group one, this will depend on whether all of you giving your consent for other relatives to see photos/videos including your child
- ▶ Underneath the media you will see the notes, so the actual observation
- ▶ You can also add your own observations



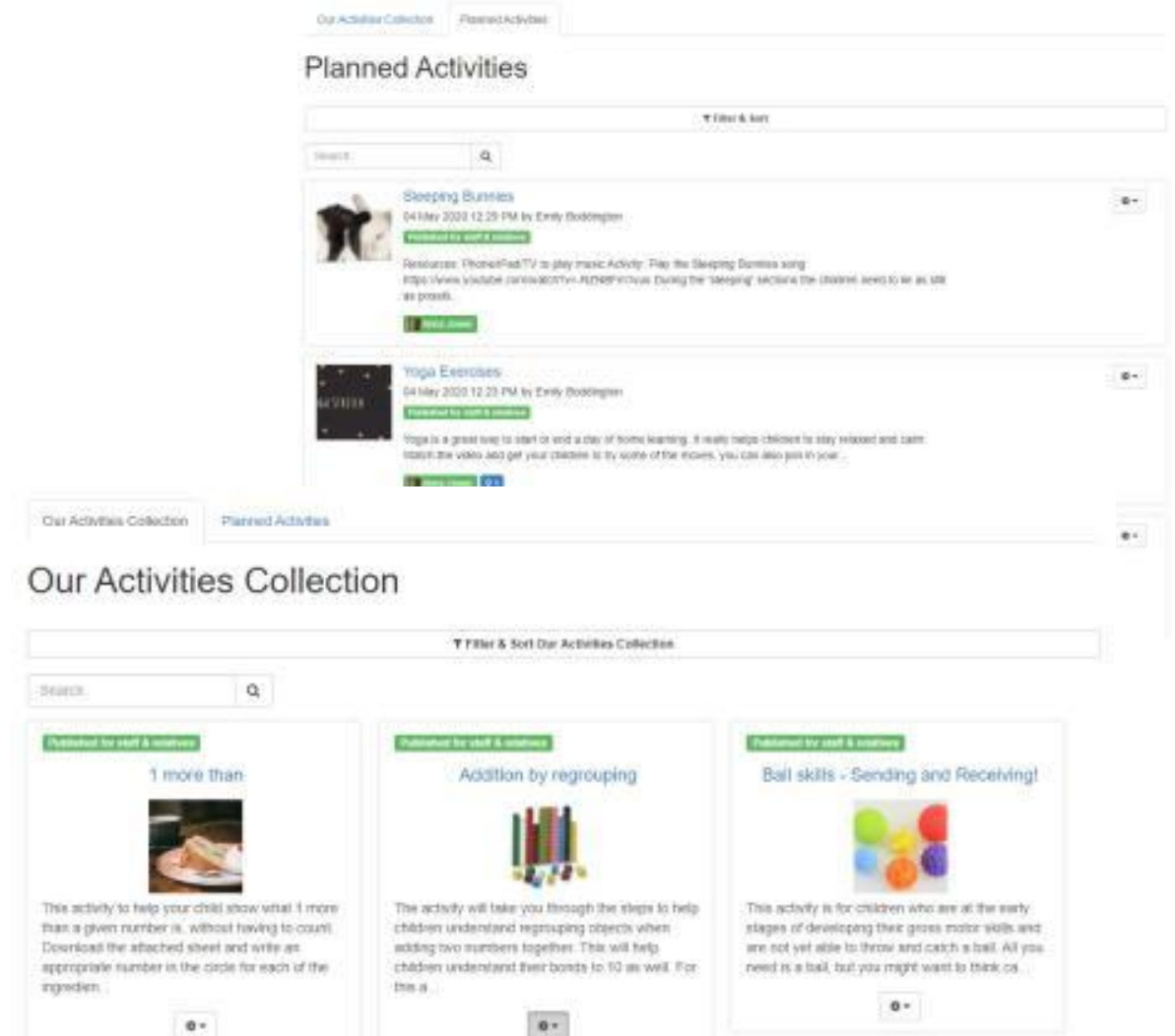
Optional if you are going to use: Memos

- ▶ Memos allow us to share messages with you such as reminders and newsletters
- ▶ They are separate to observations



Optional if you are going to use: Activities

- ▶ There are two sections in Activities: Planned Activities and Our Activities Collection
- ▶ Our Activities Collection – this is our setting's bank of activity ideas, you can look through here for inspiration
- ▶ Planned Activities – these are activities we think it would be good for you to try at home, you can reply to planned activities with observations so they are linked



Optional if you are going to allow: Notifications

- ▶ If you would like to receive notifications it's possible to receive email notifications immediately, daily or weekly
- ▶ There are different notifications for things like new observations and observation comments
- ▶ On the app you can also receive push notifications

