Dear Parents and Guardians,

This letter is to inform you about our use of Tapestry Online Learning Journal in our setting.

Tapestry allows us to make observations for your children where we can attach photos, videos and audio files, as well as include assessments which we can use to track children’s development and progress.

On Tapestry, parents/guardians and other relatives can view, like and comment on **(optional)** the observations we make for your child/ren. **(Optional)** You can also add your own observations of what your child does outside of the setting.

**Optional if you use only the Accidents feature:** We will be using the Accidents function to record accident forms for your child/ren. There is also a comments tool which we can use to send messages back and forth between you and us.

**Optional if you use the Accidents and Care Diary feature:** We are using the Care Diary function on Tapestry which allows us to record food, drink and toilet entries as well as nap times. The Care Diary also has an accident form section and comments tool which we can use to send messages back and forth between you and us.

**Optional if you use the Booking and Invoicing feature:** We will be using the Booking feature to organise your child’s bookings with us. We will then use Tapestry to create invoices based on their booking which will be emailed to the bill payer/s for your child’s/ren. When a payment has been made, we will track this within Booking and we will send a receipt of payment via email to the bill payer/s.

**Optional if you use the Documents feature and make downloads available to parents:** Tapestry also has a Documents feature that we use to upload documents to share with you, such as our policies and protocols.

**Optional if you use the Memos feature:** Similarly, we will be using the Memos feature to share news and updates about your child/ren with you.

**Optional if you use the Activities feature:** The Activities feature will be used to set home learning activities, including instructions and relevant media. Once the set activity has been completed by your child/ren, you can send it back to us through an observation.

**Optional if you allow parents to receive notifications:** You can also be notified via email either immediately, daily or weekly if there are new entries for you to view.

**Optional if you use the child login feature and allow children to login from home:** We have enabled the Child Login feature, which allows your child/ren to login to their own Tapestry account. Here they can respond directly to the observations and activities set for them, and create their own entries. From home you can log your child/ren into their account/s through your login.

If you give your permission, we will set you up with your own individual account **(note for setting: parents don’t need to share an account)** using your email address. This account will be directly linked to your child/ren’s account/s, 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) 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 want to find out more information about how Tapestry keeps our data safe and secure, you just need to go to <https://tapestry.info/security.html>.

If you would like to proceed, please fill in the slip below with your child’s name and your email address and then sign. Once you return this to us, we will then provide you with details about how to access and use your Tapestry account.

If you have any questions or queries about this, please get in touch with **XXXXXX**.

Many Thanks

I give permission for a Tapestry account to be created for [name of child]:

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

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

Signature: Date: