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Dear Parents & Carers

On-line learning journeys

We are very pleased to announce our new on-line learning journeys. To enhance how we share your children's learning with you, we have decided to create individual 'learning journeys' for your child through a piece of educational software called **Tapestry**. By logging on with a secure username and password you will be able to view all of your children's observations, photographs and even video from their time in Foundation.

You will receive regular updates sharing any new observations or new pieces of work available for you to view. This will enable you to follow your child's individual progress closely and you can reflect upon achievements with your child. You can add comments so that we as a staff group find out about which activities your child really enjoyed and the learning they get up to at home. Staff will reference your child's learning to the EYFS Development Matters statements so you will know which area of learning your child has been working on and the age-band they were working in for that activity. All of this information is stored on a highly secure server which is monitored closely.

E-safety is extremely important to us at CSA. To help us keep your child safe, please sign the user agreement and other information attached to show that you understand and will agree to adhere by our guidelines. Please return the form by **Wednesday 12 October**.

Once we have received your completed user agreement we will email you with an activation link for your 'login and make your child's profile active as soon as possible. You will not be able to access your child's learning journey until the user agreement has been signed and returned.

We will be offering drop-in sessions from 3.15 to 3.45pm in the Foundation Hall on Thursday 13 October and Friday 14 October for anybody that would like support or guidance in accessing this new format for learning journeys.

There are guidance booklets available for users of android and iOS devices and also for those wishing to access from the web. These will be available in the Foundation classrooms - please just ask!

As this is a specialist system specific to the Foundation stage, please speak to myself or one of the Foundation teachers in person or send an email to tapestry@cs-academy.com if you have any queries.

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