

ST. RONAN'S PRIMARY SCHOOL LEARNING JOURNALS P.2-7

GUIDE FOR PARENTS



As you know, we have replaced our paper system of end of term reports with an online system called **Learning Journals.** This means that you will now be able to access your child's profile any time you want, on your phone, ipad, tablet etc. as long as you have an internet connection. If you don't have an internet connection at home you are welcome to view your child's profile in School or, as a last resort, we can print it off for you.

Learning Journals allow your child's Teacher to report on progress in learning during each term in a fraction of the time it would have taken previously. This means they are going to have more time to teach and care for the children instead. It's also extremely environmentally friendly too!

You are also going to have much easier access to the development and progress of your child, and it will be easier for you to contribute too! From August 2017, the comments on progress and next steps will be 'real time' – at the point of learning.

Security

The system is very secure. The connection is made using a secure server holding a SSL certificate. (Meaning the address starts with https and carries the padlock symbol.) You will be the only one outside of the School that can view your child's profile and you will access it with a unique username as well as a password and PIN that you create. You will be the only one who knows this password and PIN combination.

If you have any further questions on technical security details please get in touch and we can arrange to have them answered.

What to expect next...

Login Details

We will email you with details of your username and a link to their Learning Journals site. This process will start on **Sunday 18 June.** You are required to set up a password which should be a minimum of 8 characters and contain at least one number and one capital letter. You will then be asked to choose a 4 digit PIN.

If you forget your username, password or PIN you can follow the password reset process at: https://www.learningjournals.co.uk/resetting-your-password

Observation Notifications

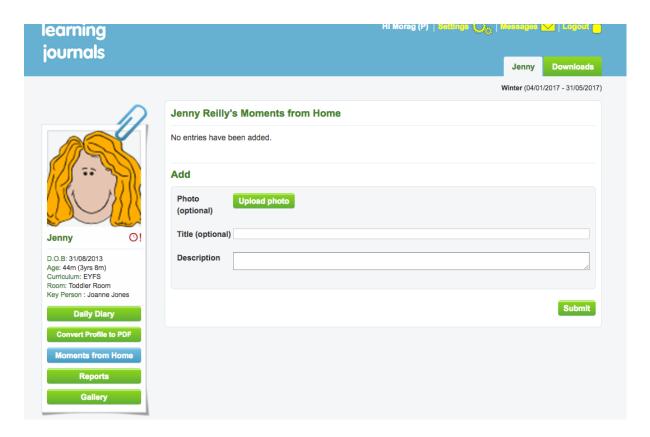
When we report on progress the system will alert you to this as an 'observation.' You will receive an email notification to let you know an observation has been added to your child's profile. You can, however, login at any time to view new and old observations.

Contributing and Commenting

You have the option to comment on every observation and we'd really encourage you to do so! Your input and feedback is valued very highly. Please bear in mind that this system is a record of your child's time with us and is not designed to be a two way communication channel. We will not reply to comments and if you have something that you would like to discuss with staff please do contact us by email, phone or via the Office as normal.

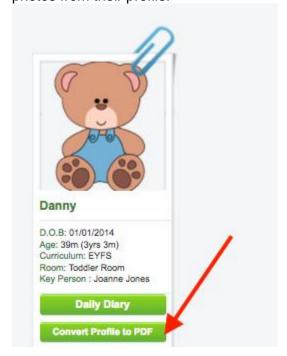
Parent Contributions

You will see a blue button on your child's profile –the Achievements from Home section – where you can add photos and descriptions of any significant moments in your child's development. See over:



Convert your Child's Profile to PDF

You have the ability to convert your child's profile to a pdf. To do this, click on the button that says 'Convert Profile to PDF' and follow the instructions. This will generate a document with all of the observations and photos from their profile.



Please get in touch should you have any questions or difficulty in accessing your child's Learning Journal as we are keen to support and help make a success of this new system.

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