

## DEAR PARENT

Your child's school now subscribes to Earwig. For parents, this means that you now have access, through the internet, to relevant teaching evidence images and video taken at the school. This is your own personal window into your child's school activities and achievements.

## WHAT EARWIG MEANS FOR PARENTS

Each Earwig record usually contains images or video and a commentary by a teacher, presented in the form of a continuous timeline covering your child's journey through the school. You will be notified periodically when there are new records in your child's timeline.

Parents love viewing these records and they are made available to you in the expectation that this will lead to more interesting and relevant conversations at home about what your child is doing in school. You will also be able to add comments to each record, which will be seen by the teacher.

For safeguarding reasons, parents can only see their own child's timeline, but access to this is free for all parents registered with the school for the entire time your child is at that school. This can be shared with close family members at your discretion.

## HOW TO SEE THE TIMELINE

To access your child's timeline you will need to go to [www.earwig.uk.com](http://www.earwig.uk.com) and login. When the school is ready to launch this service to parents you will get an email from Earwig, giving you your login details and password. If the school doesn't have your email address, let them know it as soon as possible. To see what an example Earwig timeline looks like, go to [www.earwig.uk.com](http://www.earwig.uk.com) and log in using **example@earwig.com** and password.

## PURCHASING IMAGES AND VIDEO AND ORDERING PRINTS

If you see an image that you would like to keep permanently or to print, you can order a high-resolution image for printing, for £2.00. Alternatively you can opt for Premium Parent membership and, for £12.00 a year, enjoy a nice shiny picture gallery where you can see, organise and share all your images and videos and also download as many high-res copies as you want - for as many children as you have in the Earwig system.

25% of any payments you make to Earwig go straight to the school discretionary fund to provide additional facilities for the school.

## SAFEGUARDING

Because we are dealing with images and video of children, safeguarding is a high priority for Earwig. Each school's Earwig database is a closed system, available only to staff and approved parents. Parents can opt their children out of Earwig by contacting the school.



## WHAT IS EARWIG?

Earwig is a software package for schools designed to make it easy for teachers to generate and manage teaching evidence and to use this to assess progress by pupils. Sharing the resulting information with parents improves parental engagement and pupil motivation. To learn more, go to [www.earwigacademic.com](http://www.earwigacademic.com).

**RESEARCH INDICATES** THAT PUPILS WHO BEGIN **SHARING** THEIR **SCHOOL EXPERIENCES** WITH **THEIR PARENTS** OR **CARERS** THEIR SCHOOL MARKS **IMPROVE**, ON AVERAGE, BY **15%**.



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