

PRIVACY POLICY/PRIVACY NOTICE

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How we use pupil information

The categories of pupil information that we collect, hold and share include:

- Personal information (such as name, unique pupil number and address)
- Characteristics (such as ethnicity, language, nationality, country of birth and free school meal eligibility)
- Attendance information (such as sessions attended, number of absences and absence reasons)
- Assessment information
- Relevant medical information
- Special educational needs information
- Exclusions / behavioural information

Why we collect and use this information

We use the pupil data to:

- Support pupil learning
- Monitor and report on pupil progress
- Provide appropriate pastoral care
- Assess the quality of our services
- Comply with the law regarding data sharing

The lawful basis on which we use this information

We collect and use pupil information under Article 6 of the GDPR:

6(1) (a) where the data subject has given consent to the processing of his or her personal data for one or more specific purposes

6(1) (c) where processing is necessary for compliance with a legal obligation

6(1) (d) statutory duty

Under Article 9 of the GDPR:

9(2) (a) the data subject has given explicit consent to the processing of those personal data for one or more specified purposes

9(2) (g) processing is necessary for reasons of substantial public interest.

Collecting pupil information

Whilst the majority of pupil information you provide to us is mandatory, some of it is provided to us on a voluntary basis. In order to comply with the General Data Protection Regulation, we will inform you whether you are required to provide certain pupil information to us or if you have a choice in this.

Storing pupil data

We hold pupil data for Pupil files are retained for the time the pupil remains at the school. Special educational needs files are kept until the child leaves the school and then sent to the receiving school.

Who we share pupil information with

We routinely share pupil information with:

- schools that the pupil's attend after leaving us
- our local authority
- the Department for Education (DfE)
- health providers
- other education providers
- regulatory bodies

Why we share pupil information

We do not share information about our pupils with anyone without consent unless the law and our policies allow us to do so.

We share pupils' data with the Department for Education (DfE) on a statutory basis. This data sharing underpins school funding and educational attainment policy and monitoring.

We are required to share information about our pupils with our local authority (LA) and the Department for Education (DfE) under section 3 of The Education (Information About Individual Pupils) (England) Regulations 2013.

Data collection requirements:

To find out more about the data collection requirements placed on us by the Department for Education (for example; via the school census) go to <https://www.gov.uk/education/datacollection-and-censuses-for-schools>.

The National Pupil Database (NPD)

The NPD is owned and managed by the Department for Education and contains information

about pupils in schools in England. It provides invaluable evidence on educational performance to inform independent research, as well as studies commissioned by the Department. It is held in electronic format for statistical purposes. This information is securely collected from a range of sources including schools, local authorities and awarding bodies.

We are required by law, to provide information about our pupils to the DfE as part of statutory data collections such as the school census and early years' census. Some of this information is then stored in the NPD. The law that allows this is the Education (Information About Individual Pupils) (England) Regulations 2013.

To find out more about the NPD, go to <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-pupil-database-user-guide-and-supporting-information>.

The department may share information about our pupils from the NPD with third parties who promote the education or well-being of children in England by:

- conducting research or analysis
- producing statistics

- providing information, advice or guidance

The Department has robust processes in place to ensure the confidentiality of our data is maintained and there are stringent controls in place regarding access and use of the data. Decisions on whether DfE releases data to third parties are subject to a strict approval process and based on a detailed assessment of:

- who is requesting the data
- the purpose for which it is required
- the level and sensitivity of data requested: and
- the arrangements in place to store and handle the data

To be granted access to pupil information, organisations must comply with strict terms and conditions covering the confidentiality and handling of the data, security arrangements and retention and use of the data.

For more information about the department's data sharing process, please visit:
<https://www.gov.uk/data-protection-how-we-collect-and-share-research-data>

or information about which organisations the department has provided pupil information, (and for which project), please visit the following website:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-pupil-database-requests-received>

To contact DfE:
<https://www.gov.uk/contact-dfe>

Requesting access to your personal data

Under data protection legislation, parents and pupils have the right to request access to information about them that we hold. To make a request for your personal information, or be given access to your child's educational record, contact the school secretary.

You also have the right to:

- object to processing of personal data that is likely to cause, or is causing, damage or distress
- prevent processing for the purpose of direct marketing

- object to decisions being taken by automated means
- in certain circumstances, have inaccurate personal data rectified, blocked, erased or destroyed; and
- claim compensation for damages caused by a breach of the Data Protection regulations

If you have a concern about the way we are collecting or using your personal data, we request that you raise your concern with Mrs Kirby (Our DPO) in the first instance. Alternatively, you can contact the Information Commissioner's Office at <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/>

What do we do in the event of a data breach?

In the event of a data breach (whether accidental or deliberate) we will follow GDPR compliance and report a breach to the relevant supervisory authority within 72 hours of becoming aware of it, where feasible. If the breach is likely to result in a high risk of adversely affecting individuals' rights and freedoms, we will also inform those individuals without undue delay. Our staff know how to escalate a security incident to the appropriate person within our Service and the County Council to determine whether a breach has occurred.

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If you have DATA Protection concerns ONLY contact:

