# **Privacy Notice for Pupils**

You have a legal right to be informed about how our school uses any personal information that we hold about you. To comply with this, we provide a 'privacy notice' to you where we are processing your personal data.

This privacy notice explains how we collect, store and use personal data about you. We, the school, are the 'data controller' for the purposes of data protection law.

Our data protection officer is listed below (see 'Contact us' below).

# The personal data we hold

We hold some personal information about you to make sure we can help you learn and look after you at school.

For the same reasons, we get information about you from some other places too – like other schools, the local council and the government.

This information includes:

- personal identifiers and contacts (such as name, unique pupil number, contact details and addresses)
- characteristics (such as ethnicity, language, and free school meal eligibility)
- safeguarding information (such as court orders and professional involvement)
- special educational needs (including the needs and ranking)
- medical and administration (such as doctors information, child health, dental health, allergies, medication and dietary requirements)
- attendance (such as sessions attended, number of absences, absence reasons and any previous schools attended)
- assessment and attainment (such as phonics results)
- behavioural information (such as exclusions and any relevant alternative provision put in place).

# Why we use this data

We use this data to help run the school, including to:

- to support pupil learning
- to monitor and report on pupil attainment progress
- to provide appropriate pastoral care
- to assess the quality of our services
- to keep children safe (food allergies, or emergency contact details)
- to meet the statutory duties placed upon us for the Department for Education (DfE) data collections

# Our legal basis for using this data

We will only collect and use your information when the law allows us to. Most often, we will use your information where:

- We need to comply with the law
- We need to use it to carry out a task in the public interest (in order to provide you with an education)

Sometimes, we may also use your personal information where:

- You, or your parents/carers have given us permission to use it in a certain way
- We need to protect your interests (or someone else's interest)

Where we have got permission to use your data, you or your parents/carers may withdraw this at any time. We will make this clear when we ask for permission, and explain how to go about withdrawing consent.

Under the <u>UK General Data Protection Regulation (UK GDPR</u>), the lawful bases we rely on for processing pupil information are:

- a) the data subject has given consent to the processing of his or her personal data for one or more specific purposes;
- b) processing is necessary for compliance with a legal obligation to which the controller is subject;
- c) processing is necessary in order to protect the vital interests of the data subject or of another natural person;
- d) processing is necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest or in the exercise of official authority vested in the controller;
- e) processing is necessary for the purposes of the legitimate interests pursued by the controller or by a third party, except where such interests are overridden by the interests or fundamental rights and freedoms of the data subject which require protection of personal data, in particular where the data subject is a child.

Processing of personal data revealing racial or ethnic origin, religious or philosophical beliefs, data concerning health shall be prohibited unless;

- a) the data subject has given explicit consent to the processing of those personal data for one or more specified purposes, except where that the prohibition referred to in paragraph 1 may not be lifted by the data subject;
- b) processing is necessary to protect the vital interests of the data subject or of another natural person where the data subject is physically or legally incapable of giving consent;
- c) processing is carried out in the course of its legitimate activities with appropriate safeguards by a foundation, association or any other not-for-profit body with a political, philosophical, religious or trade union aim and on condition that the processing relates solely to the members or to former members of the body or to persons who have regular contact with it in connection with its purposes and that the personal data are not disclosed outside that body without the consent of the data subjects;
- d) processing relates to personal data which are manifestly made public by the data subject;
- e) processing is necessary for reasons of substantial public interest.

# **Collecting pupil information**

We collect pupil information via registration forms, Common Transfer File (CTF) or secure file transfer from previous school

Pupil data is essential for the schools' operational use. Whilst the majority of pupil information you provide to us is mandatory, some of it requested on a voluntary basis. In order to comply with the data protection legislation, we will inform you at the point of collection, 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 securely for the set amount of time shown in our data retention schedule. For more information on our data retention schedule and how we keep your data safe, please contact the school office at <a href="mailto:office@cadmoreendschool.org">office@cadmoreendschool.org</a>

# Who we share pupil information with

We routinely share pupil information with:

- schools that the pupils attend after leaving us
- our local authority
- the Department for Education (DfE)

# Why we regularly 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

Where it is legally required, or necessary (and it complies with data protection law) we may share personal information about you with:

- Our local authority to meet our legal obligations to share certain information with it, such as safeguarding concerns and [maintained schools only] information about headteacher performance and staff dismissals
- The Department for Education
- Your family or representatives
- Educators and examining bodies
- Our regulator [specify as appropriate e.g. Ofsted, Independent Schools Inspectorate]
- Suppliers and service providers to enable them to provide the service we have contracted them for, such as payroll
- Financial organisations
- Central and local government
- Our auditors
- Survey and research organisations
- Trade unions and associations
- Health authorities
- Security organisations
- Health and social welfare organisations

- Professional advisers and consultants
- Charities and voluntary organisations
- Police forces, courts, tribunals
- Professional bodies
- Employment and recruitment agencies

#### Department for Education (DfE)

The Department for Education (DfE) collects personal data from educational settings and local authorities via various statutory data collections. We are required to share information about our pupils with the Department for Education (DfE) either directly or via our local authority for the purpose of those data collections, under: section 3 of The Education (Information About Individual Pupils) (England) Regulations 2013.

All data is transferred securely and held by the Department for Education (DfE) under a combination of software and hardware controls, which meet the current <u>government security policy framework</u>.

For more information, please see 'How Government uses your data' section. For privacy information on the data the Department for Education collects and uses, please see:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/privacy-information-early-years-foundation-stage-tokey-stage-3

and

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/privacy-information-key-stage-4-and-5-and-adulteducation

#### Requesting access to your personal data

The UK-GDPR gives parents and pupils certain rights about how their information is collected and used. To make a request for your personal information, or be given access to your child's educational record, contact our DPO (see 'Contact us' below).

You also have the following rights:

- the right to be informed about the collection and use of your personal data this is called 'right to be informed'.
- the right to ask us for copies of your personal information we have about you this is called 'right of access', this is also known as a subject access request (SAR), data subject access request or right of access request.
- the right to ask us to change any information you think is not accurate or complete this is called 'right to rectification'.
- the right to ask us to delete your personal information this is called 'right to erasure'
- the right to ask us to stop using your information this is called 'right to restriction of processing'.
- the 'right to object to processing' of your information, in certain circumstances
- rights in relation to automated decision making and profiling.
- the right to withdraw consent at any time (where relevant).

• the right to <u>complain to the Information Commissioner</u> if you feel we have not used your information in the right way.

There are legitimate reasons why we may refuse your information rights request, which depends on why we are processing it. For example, some rights will not apply:

- right to erasure does not apply when the lawful basis for processing is legal obligation or public task.
- right to portability does not apply when the lawful basis for processing is legal obligation, vital interests, public task or legitimate interests.
- right to object does not apply when the lawful basis for processing is contract, legal obligation or vital interests. And if the lawful basis is consent, you don't haven't the right to object, but you have the right to withdraw consent.

If you have a concern about the way we are collecting or using your personal data, you should raise your concern with us in the first instance or directly to the Information Commissioner's Office at raise a concern with ICO.

For further information on how to request access to personal information held centrally by the Department for Education (DfE), please see the 'How Government uses your data' section of this notice.

# Withdrawal of consent and the right to lodge a complaint

Where we are processing your personal data with your consent, you have the right to withdraw that consent. If you change your mind, or you are unhappy with our use of your personal data, please let us know by contacting our DPO (see 'Contact us' below)

#### Last updated

We may need to update this privacy notice periodically so we recommend that you revisit this information from time to time. This version was last updated on January 2025.

#### Contact us

If you would like to discuss anything in this privacy notice, please contact our DPO, whose details are below:

Rob Hacking rhacking@littlechalfont.bucks.sch.uk Little Chalfont Primary School, Oakington Avenue, Little Chalfont, Buckinghamshire, HP6 6SX

Telephone: 01494 762109

#### How Government uses your data

The pupil data that we lawfully share with the Department for Education (DfE) through data collections:

- underpins school funding, which is calculated based upon the numbers of children and their characteristics in each school.
- informs 'short term' education policy monitoring and school accountability and intervention (for example, school GCSE results or Pupil Progress measures).
- supports 'longer term' research and monitoring of educational policy (for example how certain subject choices go on to affect education or earnings beyond school)

#### **Data collection requirements**

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

# The National Pupil Database (NPD)

The NPD is owned and managed by the Department for Education (DfE) and contains information about pupils in schools in England. This information is securely collected from a range of sources including schools, local authorities and awarding bodies.

The data in the NPD is provided as part of the operation of the education system and is used for research and statistical purposes to improve, and promote, the education and well-being of children in England.

The evidence and data provide DfE, education providers, Parliament and the wider public with a clear picture of how the education and children's services sectors are working in order to better target, and evaluate, policy interventions to help ensure all children are kept safe from harm and receive the best possible education.

To find out more about the NPD, go to <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-pupil-database-npd-privacy-notice/national-pupil-database-npd-privacy-notice</u>

# Sharing by the Department for Education (DfE)

DfE will only share pupils' personal data where it is lawful, secure and ethical to do so. Where these conditions are met, the law allows the Department for Education (DfE) to share pupils' personal data with certain third parties, including:

- schools and local authorities
- researchers
- organisations connected with promoting the education or wellbeing of children in England
- other government departments and agencies
- organisations fighting or identifying crime

For more information about the Department for Education's (DfE) NPD data sharing process, please visit: <u>https://www.gov.uk/data-protection-how-we-collect-and-share-research-data</u>

• Organisations fighting or identifying crime may use their legal powers to contact the Department for Education (DfE) to request access to individual level information relevant to detecting that crime.

For information about which organisations the Department for Education (DfE) has provided pupil information, (and for which project) or to access a monthly breakdown of data share volumes with Home Office and the Police please visit the following website:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/dfe-external-data-shares

# How to find out what personal information the Department for Education (DfE) holds about you

Under the terms of the UK GDPR, you are entitled to ask the Department for Education (DfE):

- if they are processing your personal data
- for a description of the data they hold about you
- the reasons they're holding it and any recipient it may be disclosed to
- for a copy of your personal data and any details of its source

If you want to see the personal data held about you by the Department for Education (DfE), you should make a 'subject access request'. Further information on how to do this can be found within the Department for Education's (DfE) personal information charter that is published at the address below:

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-education/about/personalinformation-charter

or

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/requesting-your-personal-information/requestingyour-personal-information#your-rights\_

To contact the Department for Education (DfE): <u>https://www.gov.uk/contact-dfe</u>