

# Data Protection Act 1998: How we use pupil information

We collect and hold personal information relating to our pupils and may also receive information about them from their previous school, local authority and/or the Department for Education (DfE). We use this personal data to:

- support our pupils' learning
- monitor and report on their progress
- provide appropriate pastoral care; and
- assess the quality of our services

This information will include their contact details, national curriculum assessment results, attendance information, any exclusion information, where they go after they leave us and personal characteristics such as their ethnic group, any special educational needs they may have as well as relevant medical information.

We will not give information about our pupils to anyone without your consent unless the law and our policies allow us to do so. If you want to receive a copy of the information about your son/daughter that we hold, please contact:

Mrs Hodgson – School Secretary on 0191 3700182.

We are required, by law, to pass certain information about our pupils to our local authority (LA) and the Department for Education (DfE).

DfE may also share pupil level personal data that we supply to them, with third parties. This will only take place where legislation allows it to do so and it is in compliance with the Data Protection Act 1998.

Decisions on whether DfE releases this personal data to third parties are subject to a robust approval process and are 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 level data, requestors must comply with strict terms and conditions covering the confidentiality and handling of data, security arrangements and retention and use of the data.

**Use of cloud based storage** (for example 2build a profile, Tapestry, Fingertips, Class DoJo )

The storage and processing of information and evidence about pupils attainment and or classwork has changed. Some of this information is now captured electronically and stored with an external provider (Data Processor). Please inform Roseberry Primary School if you wish to opt out of this arrangement.

## In addition if those services are not based in the EU (e.g. Class DoJo, Google)

Some apps/services used by the school (for example Class Dojo) transfer data to the US. The school will ensure that the company providing the app/service is certified as an approved company under the EU-US Privacy Shield. For more information - <a href="www.privacyshield.gov">www.privacyshield.gov</a> Please inform Roseberry Primary School if you wish to opt out of this arrangement.

For more information on how this sharing process works, please visit: https://www.gov.uk/guidance/national-pupil-database-apply-for-a-data-extract

For information on which third party organisations (and for which project) pupil level data has been provided to, please visit: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-pupil-database-requests-received">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-pupil-database-requests-received</a>

If you need more information about how our local authority and/or DfE collect and use your information, please visit:

### Our local authority at

<a href="http://www.durham.gov.uk/article/2259/Privacy-and-data-protection">http://www.durham.gov.uk/article/2259/Privacy-and-data-protection</a>
<a href="http://www.durham.gov.uk/media/10056/Privacy-notice----Education-Service-for-services-to-children-and-young-people/pdf/PrivacyNoticeEducation.pdf">http://www.durham.gov.uk/article/2259/Privacy-and-data-protection</a>
<a href="http://www.durham.gov.uk/media/10056/Privacy-notice----Education-Service-for-services-to-children-and-young-people/pdf/PrivacyNoticeEducation.pdf">http://www.durham.gov.uk/media/10056/Privacy-notice----Education-Service-for-services-to-children-and-young-people/pdf/PrivacyNoticeEducation.pdf</a>

### The DfE website at

https://www.gov.uk/data-protection-how-we-collect-and-share-research-data

#### LA Contact

• Paula.Sheen@durham.gov.uk

## **CCTV**

The school has installed CCTV equipment for the purpose of security. Queries regarding this should be addressed to Mrs Hodgson – School secretary.

### **Text and Email Service**

The school uses a texting and email service managed by *Teachers 2 Parents* to communicate with parents. Please contact Mrs Hodgson for further information or if you want to opt out of this arrangement.

# Processing images off site

On occasion the school permits data to be processed off site by members of staff (e.g. preparing learning journeys). Please contact Mrs Hodgson – School Secretary for further information or if you want to opt out of this arrangement.