

# **Smithy Street Primary School**

## **Data Protection, Data Breach and Information Security Policy**



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*Our Rights! (UNCRC in child friendly language)*

*Article 2: 'You have the right to a good quality education.'*

*Article 12: 'You have the right to give your opinion, and for adults to listen and take it seriously.'*

*Article 29: 'Your education should help you use and develop your talents and abilities. It should help you learn to live peacefully, protect the environment and respect other people.'*

*Article 19: 'You have the right to be protected from being hurt or mistreated, in mind or body.'*

*Article 3: 'When adults make decisions, they should think about how their decisions will affect children'*

*Article 42: 'You have the right to know your rights! Adults should know about these rights and help you learn about them too.'*

*Article 2. 'All children have these rights (non-discrimination)'*

## CHAPTER 1: DATA PROTECTION

### Introduction

The General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) ensures a balance between an individual's rights to privacy and the lawful processing of personal data undertaken by organisations in the course of their business. It aims to protect the rights of individuals about whom data is obtained, stored, processed or supplied and requires that organisations take appropriate security measures against unauthorised access, alteration, disclosure or destruction of personal data.

The School will protect and maintain a balance between data protection rights in accordance with the GDPR. This policy sets out how we handle the personal data of our pupils, parents, suppliers, employees, workers and other third parties.

This policy does not form part of any individual's terms and conditions of employment with the School and is not intended to have contractual effect. Changes to data protection legislation will be monitored and further amendments may be required to this policy in order to remain compliant with legal obligations.

All members of staff are required to familiarise themselves with its content and comply with the provisions contained in it. Breach of this policy will be treated as a disciplinary offence which may result in disciplinary action under the School's Disciplinary Policy and Procedure up to and including summary dismissal depending on the seriousness of the breach.

This policy applies to all members of staff, including temporary workers, other contractors, volunteers, interns, governors and any and all third parties authorised to use the IT systems.

### SECTION 1 - DEFINITIONS

## **Personal data**

Personal data is any information relating to an individual where the individual can be identified (directly or indirectly) from that data alone or in combination with other identifiers we possess or can reasonably access. This includes special category data and pseudonymised personal data but excludes anonymous data or data that has had the identity of an individual permanently removed.

Personal data can be factual (for examples a name, email address, location or date of birth) or an opinion about that person's actions or behaviour.

Personal data will be stored either electronically or as part of a structured manual filing system in such a way that it can be retrieved automatically by reference to the individual or criteria relating to that individual.

## **Special Category Data**

Previously termed "Sensitive Personal Data", Special Category Data is similar by definition and refers to data concerning an individual Data Subject's racial or ethnic origin, political or religious beliefs, trade union membership, physical and mental health, sexuality, biometric or genetic data and personal data relating to criminal offences and convictions.

## **Data Subject**

An individual about whom such information is stored is known as the Data Subject. It includes but is not limited to employees.

## **Personal Data Breach**

A personal data breach is a breach of security leading to the accidental or unlawful destruction, loss, alteration, unauthorised disclosure of, or access to, personal data or special category data transmitted, stored or otherwise processed.

## **Data Controller**

The organisation storing and controlling such information (i.e. the School) is referred to as the Data Controller.

## **ICO**

ICO is the Information Commissioner's Office, the UK's independent regulator for data protection and information.

## **Processing**

Processing data involves any activity that involves the use of personal data. This includes but is not limited to: obtaining, recording or holding data or carrying out any operation or set of operations on that data such as organisation, amending, retrieving using, disclosing, erasing or destroying it. Processing also includes transmitting or transferring personal data to third parties.

## **Automated Processing**

Any form of automated processing of personal data consisting of the use of personal data to evaluate certain personal aspects relating to an individual, in particular to analyse or predict aspects concerning that individual's performance at work, economic

situation, health, personal preferences, interests, reliability, behaviour, location or movements.

An example of automated processing includes profiling and automated decision making. Automatic decision making is when a decision is made which is based solely on automated processing which produces legal effects or significantly affects an individual. Automated decision making is prohibited except in exceptional circumstances.

### **Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA)**

DPIAs are a tool used to identify risks in data processing activities with a view to reducing them.

### **Criminal Records Information**

This refers to personal information relating to criminal convictions and offences, allegations, proceedings, and related security measures.

## **SECTION 2 - WHEN CAN THE SCHOOL PROCESS PERSONAL DATA**

### **Data Protection Principles**

The School are responsible for and adhere to the principles relating to the processing of personal data as set out in the GDPR.

The principles the School must adhere to are: -

- (1) Personal data must be processed lawfully, fairly and in a transparent manner;
- (2) Personal data must be collected only for specified, explicit and legitimate purposes;
- (3) Personal data must be adequate, relevant and limited to what is necessary in relation to the purposes for which it is processed;
- (4) Personal data must be accurate and, where necessary, kept up to date;
- (5) Personal data must not be kept in a form which permits identification of data subjects for longer than is necessary for the purposes for which the data is processed; and
- (6) Personal data must be processed in a manner that ensures its security using appropriate technical and organisational measures to protect against unauthorised or unlawful processing and against accidental loss, destruction or damage.

Further details on each of the above principles is set out below.

### **Principle 1: Personal data must be processed lawfully, fairly and in a transparent manner**

The School only collect, process and share personal data fairly and lawfully and for specified purposes. The School must have a specified purpose for processing personal data and special category of data as set out in the GDPR.

Before the processing starts for the first time we will review the purposes of the particular processing activity and select the most appropriate lawful basis for that processing. We will then regularly review those purposes whilst processing continues in order to satisfy ourselves that the processing is necessary for the purpose of the relevant lawful basis (i.e. that there is no other reasonable way to achieve that purpose).

#### Personal Data

The School may only process a data subject's personal data if one of the following fair processing conditions are met: -

- The data subject has given their consent;
- The processing is necessary for the performance of a contract with the data subject or for taking steps at their request to enter into a contract;
- To protect the data subject's vital interests;
- To meet our legal compliance obligations (other than a contractual obligation);
- To perform a task in the public interest or in order to carry out official functions as authorised by law;
- For the purposes of the School's legitimate interests where authorised in accordance with data protection legislation. This is provided that it would not prejudice the rights and freedoms or legitimate interests of the data subject.

#### Special Category Data

The School may only process special category data if they are entitled to process personal data (using one of the fair processing conditions above) AND one of the following conditions are met: -

- The data subject has given their explicit consent;
- The processing is necessary for the purposes of exercising or performing any right or obligation which is conferred or imposed on the School in the field of employment law, social security law or social protection law. This may include, but is not limited to, dealing with sickness absence, dealing with disability and making adjustments for the same, arranging private health care insurance and providing contractual sick pay;
- To protect the data subject's vital interests;
- To meet our legal compliance obligations (other than a contractual obligation);
- Where the data has been made public by the data subject;
- To perform a task in the substantial public interest or in order to carry out official functions as authorised by law;
- Where it is necessary for the purposes of preventive or occupational medicine, for the assessment of the working capacity of the employee, medical diagnosis, the provision of health or social care or treatment or the management of health or social care systems and services;
- Where it is necessary for reasons of public interest in the area of public health;
- The processing is necessary for archiving, statistical or research purposes.

The School identifies and documents the legal grounds being relied upon for each processing activity.

### Consent

Where the School relies on consent as a fair condition for processing (as set out above), it will adhere to the requirements set out in the GDPR.

Consent must be freely given, specific, informed and be an unambiguous indication of the data subject's wishes by which they signify agreement to the processing of personal data relating to them. Explicit consent requires a very clear and specific statement to be relied upon (i.e. more than just mere action is required).

A data subject will have consented to processing of their personal data if they indicate agreement clearly either by a statement or positive action to the processing. Consent requires affirmative action so silence, pre-ticked boxes or inactivity will not amount to valid consent.

Data subjects must be easily able to withdraw consent to processing at any time and withdrawal must be promptly honoured.

If explicit consent is required, the School will normally seek another legal basis to process that data. However if explicit consent is required the data subject will be provided with full information in order to provide explicit consent.

The School will keep records of consents obtained in order to demonstrate compliance with consent requirements under the GDPR.

### **Principle 2: Personal data must be collected only for specified, explicit and legitimate purposes**

Personal data will not be processed in any manner that is incompatible with the legitimate purposes.

The School will not use personal data for new, different or incompatible purposes from that disclosed when it was first obtained unless we have informed the data subject of the new purpose (and they have consented where necessary).

### **Principle 3: Personal data must be adequate, relevant and limited to what is necessary in relation to the purposes for which it is processed**

The School will only process personal data when our obligations and duties require us to. We will not collect excessive data and ensure any personal data collected is adequate and relevant for the intended purposes.

When personal data is no longer needed for specified purposes, the School shall delete or anonymise the data. Please refer to the School's Data Retention Policy for further guidance.

### **Principle 4: Personal data must be accurate and, where necessary, kept up to date**

The School will endeavour to correct or delete any inaccurate data being processed by checking the accuracy of the personal data at the point of collection and at regular intervals afterwards. We will take all reasonable steps to destroy or amend inaccurate or out of date personal data.

Data subjects also have an obligation to ensure that their data is accurate, complete, up to date and relevant. Data subjects have the right to request rectification to incomplete or inaccurate data held by the School.

**Principle 5: Personal data must not be kept in a form which permits identification of data subjects for longer than is necessary for the purposes for which the data is processed**

Legitimate purposes for which the data is being processed may include satisfying legal, accounting or reporting requirements. The School will ensure that they adhere to legal timeframes for retaining data.

We will take reasonable steps to destroy or erase from our systems all personal data that we no longer require. We will also ensure that data subjects are informed of the period for which data is stored and how that period is determined in our privacy notices.

Please refer to the School's Retention Policy for further details about how the School retains and removes data.

**Principle 6: Personal data must be processed in a manner that ensures its security using appropriate technical and organisational measures to protect against unauthorised or unlawful processing and against accidental loss, destruction or damage**

In order to assure the protection of all data being processed, the School will develop, implement and maintain reasonable safeguard and security measures. This includes using measures such as: -

- Encryption;
- Pseudonymisation (this is where the School replaces information that directly or indirectly identifies an individual with one or more artificial identifiers or pseudonyms so that the person to whom the data relates cannot be identified without the use of additional information which is meant to be kept separately and secure);
- Ensuring authorised access (i.e. that only people who have a need to know the personal data are authorised to access it);
- Adhering to confidentiality principles;
- Ensuring personal data is accurate and suitable for the process for which it is processed.

The School follow procedures and technologies to ensure security and will regularly evaluate and test the effectiveness of those safeguards to ensure security in processing personal data.

The School will only transfer personal data to third party service providers who agree to comply with the required policies and procedures and agree to put adequate measures in place.

Full details on the School's security measures are set out in the School's Security Policy.

**Sharing Personal Data**

The School will generally not share personal data with third parties unless certain safeguards and contractual arrangements have been put in place. These include if the third party: -

- Has a need to know the information for the purposes of providing the contracted services;
- Sharing the personal data complies with the privacy notice that has been provided to the data subject and, if required, the data subject's consent has been obtained;
- The third party has agreed to comply with the required data security standards, policies and procedures and put adequate security measures in place;
- The transfer complies with any applicable cross border transfer restrictions; and
- A fully executed written contract that contains GDPR approved third party clauses has been obtained.

There may be circumstances where the School is required either by law or in the best interests of our pupils, parents or staff to pass information onto external authorities, for example, the local authority, Ofsted or the department of health. These authorities are up to date with data protection law and have their own policies relating to the protection of any data that they receive or collect.

The intention to share data relating to individuals to an organisation outside of our School shall be clearly defined within written notifications and details and basis for sharing that data given.

### **Transfer of Data Outside the European Economic Area (EEA)**

The GDPR restricts data transfers to countries outside the EEA in order to ensure that the level of data protection afforded to individuals by the GDPR is not undermined.

The School will not transfer data to another country outside of the EEA without appropriate safeguards being in place and in compliance with the GDPR. All staff must comply with the School's guidelines on transferring data outside of the EEA. For the avoidance of doubt, a transfer of data to another country can occur when you transmit, send, view or access that data in that particular country.

## **SECTION 3 - DATA SUBJECT'S RIGHTS AND REQUESTS**

Personal data must be made available to data subjects as set out within this policy and data subjects must be allowed to exercise certain rights in relation to their personal data.

The rights data subjects have in relation to how the School handle their personal data are set out below: -

- (a) (Where consent is relied upon as a condition of processing) To withdraw consent to processing at any time;
- (b) Receive certain information about the School's processing activities;
- (c) Request access to their personal data that we hold;
- (d) Prevent our use of their personal data for marketing purposes;

- (e) Ask us to erase personal data if it is no longer necessary in relation to the purposes for which it was collected or processed or to rectify inaccurate data or to complete incomplete data;
- (f) Restrict processing in specific circumstances;
- (g) Challenge processing which has been justified on the basis of our legitimate interests or in the public interest;
- (h) Request a copy of an agreement under which personal data is transferred outside of the EEA;
- (i) Object to decisions based solely on automated processing;
- (j) Prevent processing that is likely to cause damage or distress to the data subject or anyone else;
- (k) Be notified of a personal data breach which is likely to result in high risk to their rights and freedoms;
- (l) Make a complaint to the supervisory authority; and
- (m) In limited circumstances, receive or ask for their personal data to be transferred to a third party in a structured, commonly used and machine readable format.

If any request is made to exercise the rights above, it is a requirement for the relevant staff member within the School to verify the identity of the individual making the request.

### **Subject Access Requests**

A Data Subject has the right to be informed by the School of the following: -

- (a) Confirmation that their data is being processed;
- (b) Access to their personal data;
- (c) A description of the information that is being processed;
- (d) The purpose for which the information is being processed;
- (e) The recipients/class of recipients to whom that information is or may be disclosed;
- (f) Details of the School's sources of information obtained;
- (g) In relation to any Personal Data processed for the purposes of evaluating matters in relation to the Data Subject that has constituted or is likely to constitute the sole basis for any decision significantly affecting him or her, to be informed of the logic of the Data Controller's decision making. Such data may include, but is not limited to, performance at work, creditworthiness, reliability and conduct.
- (h) Other supplementary information

Any Data Subject who wishes to obtain the above information must notify the School in writing of his or her request. This is known as a Data Subject Access Request.

The request should in the first instance be sent to the Headteacher.

## **Direct Marketing**

The School are subject to certain rules and privacy laws when marketing. For example a data subject's prior consent will be required for electronic direct marketing (for example, by email, text or automated calls).

The School will explicitly offer individuals the opportunity to object to direct marketing and will do so in an intelligible format which is clear for the individual to understand. The School will promptly respond to any individual objection to direct marketing.

## **Employee Obligations**

Employees may have access to the personal data of other members of staff, suppliers, parents or pupils of the School in the course of their employment or engagement. If so, the School expects those employees to help meet the School's data protection obligations to those individuals. Specifically, you must: -

- Only access the personal data that you have authority to access, and only for authorised purposes;
- Only allow others to access personal data if they have appropriate authorisation;
- Keep personal data secure (for example by complying with rules on access to school premises, computer access, password protection and secure file storage and destruction Please refer to the School's Security Policy for further details about our security processes;
- Not to remove personal data or devices containing personal data from the School premises unless appropriate security measures are in place (such as pseudonymisation, encryption, password protection) to secure the information;
- Not to store personal information on local drives.

## **SECTION 4 - ACCOUNTABILITY**

The School will ensure compliance with data protection principles by implementing appropriate technical and organisational measures. We are responsible for and demonstrate accountability with the GDPR principles.

The School have taken the following steps to ensure and document GDPR compliance: -

### **Data Protection Officer (DPO)**

Please find below details of the School's Data Protection Officer: -

Data Protection Officer: Judicium Consulting Limited

Address: 72 Cannon Street, London, EC4N 6AE

Email: [dataservices@judicium.com](mailto:dataservices@judicium.com)

Web: [www.judiciumeducation.co.uk](http://www.judiciumeducation.co.uk)

Telephone: 0203 326 9174

Lead Contact: Craig Stilwell

The DPO is responsible for overseeing this data protection policy and developing data-related policies and guidelines.

Please contact the DPO with any questions about the operation of this Data Protection Policy or the GDPR or if you have any concerns that this policy is not being or has not

been followed. In particular, you must always contact the DPO in the following circumstances: -

- (a) If you are unsure of the lawful basis being relied on by the School to process personal data;
- (b) If you need to rely on consent as a fair reason for processing (please see below the section on consent for further detail);
- (c) If you need to draft privacy notices or fair processing notices;
- (d) If you are unsure about the retention periods for the personal data being processed but would refer you to the School's data retention policy in the first instance;
- (e) If you are unsure about what security measures need to be put in place to protect personal data;
- (f) If there has been a personal data breach and would refer you to the procedure set out in the School's breach notification policy;
- (g) If you are unsure on what basis to transfer personal data outside the EEA;
- (h) If you need any assistance dealing with any rights invoked by a data subject;
- (i) Whenever you are engaging in a significant new (or a change in) processing activity which is likely to require a data protection impact assessment or if you plan to use personal data for purposes other than what it was collected for;
- (j) If you plan to undertake any activities involving automated processing or automated decision making;
- (k) If you need help complying with applicable law when carrying out direct marketing activities;
- (l) If you need help with any contracts or other areas in relation to sharing personal data with third parties.

### **Personal Data Breaches**

The GDPR requires the School to notify any applicable personal data breach to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO).

We have put in place procedures to deal with any suspected personal data breach and will notify data subjects or any applicable regulator where we are legally required to do so.

If you know or suspect that a personal data breach has occurred, do not attempt to investigate the matter yourself. Immediately contact the person designated as the key point of contact for personal data breaches who is the Headteacher or your DPO.

### **Transparency and Privacy Notices**

The School will provide detailed, specific information to data subjects. This information will be provided through the School's privacy notices which are concise, transparent, intelligible, easily accessible and in clear and plain language so that a data subject can easily understand them. Privacy notices sets out information for data subjects about how the School use their data and the School's privacy notices are tailored to suit the data subject.

Whenever we collect personal data directly from data subjects, including for human resources or employment purposes, we will provide the data subject with all the information required by the GDPR including the identity of the data protection officer, the School's contact details, how and why we will use, process, disclose, protect and retain personal data.

When personal data is collected indirectly (for example from a third party or publically available source), we will provide the data subject with the above information as soon as possible after receiving the data. The School will also confirm whether that third party has collected and processed data in accordance with the GDPR.

Notifications shall be in accordance with ICO guidance and, where relevant, be written in a form understandable by those defined as "children" under the GDPR

### **Privacy By Design**

The School adopt a privacy by design approach to data protection to ensure that we adhere to data compliance and to implement technical and organisational measures in an effective manner.

Privacy by design is an approach that promotes privacy and data protection compliance from the start. To help us achieve this, the School takes into account the nature and purposes of the processing, any cost of implementation and any risks to rights and freedoms of data subjects when implementing data processes.

### **Data Protection Impact Assessments (DPIAs)**

In order to achieve a privacy by design approach, the School conduct DPIAs (Appendix 1) for any new technologies or programmes being used by the School which could affect the processing of personal data. In any event the School carries out DPIAs when required by the GDPR in the following circumstances: -

- For the use of new technologies (programs, systems or processes) or changing technologies;
- For the use of automated processing;
- For large scale processing of special category data;
- For large scale, systematic monitoring of a publicly accessible area (through the use of CCTV).

Our DPIAs contain: -

- A description of the processing, its purposes and any legitimate interests used;
- An assessment of the necessity and proportionality of the processing in relation to its purpose;
- An assessment of the risk to individuals; and
- The risk mitigation measures in place and demonstration of compliance.

### **Record Keeping**

The School are required to keep full and accurate records of our data processing activities. These records include: -

- The name and contact details of the School;
- The name and contact details of the Data Protection Officer;
- Descriptions of the types of personal data used;
- Description of the data subjects;
- Details of the School's processing activities and purposes;

- Details of any third party recipients of the personal data;
- Where personal data is stored;
- Retention periods; and
- Security measures in place.

### **Training**

The School will ensure all relevant personnel have undergone adequate training to enable them to comply with data privacy laws.

### **Audit**

The School through its data protection officer regularly test our data systems and processes in order to assess compliance. These are done through data audits which take place annually in order to review use of personal data.

### **Related Policies**

Staff should refer to the following policies that are related to this data protection policy:

- Data retention policy;
- Subject Access Request Policy
- Internet Acceptable Use, E-Safety and Social Media Policy

These policies are also designed to protect personal data and can be found at Staff Public/ A6 Approved policies/ Approved Policies.

### **Monitoring**

We will monitor the effectiveness of this and all of our policies and procedures and conduct a full review and update as appropriate.

Our monitoring and review will include looking at how our policies and procedures are working in practice to reduce the risks posed to the School.

## CHAPTER 2: DATA BREACH

The GDPR places obligations on staff to report actual or suspected data breaches and our procedure for dealing with breaches is set out below. All members of staff are required to familiarise themselves with its content and comply with the provisions contained in it. Training will be provided to all staff to enable them to carry out their obligations within this policy.

Data Processors will be provided with a copy of this policy and will be required to notify the School of any data breach without undue delay after becoming aware of the data breach. Failure to do so may result in a breach to the terms of the processing agreement.

## RESPONSIBILITY

The Headteacher has overall responsibility for breach notification within the School. They are responsible for ensuring breach notification processes are adhered to by all staff and are the designated point of contact for personal data breaches.

In the absence of Headteacher, please do contact the SBM.

The Data Protection Officer (DPO) is responsible for overseeing this policy and developing data-related policies and guidelines.

Please contact the DPO with any questions about the operation of this policy or the GDPR or if you have any concerns that this policy is not being or has not been followed.

The DPO's contact details are set out below: -

Data Protection Officer: Judicium Consulting Limited  
Address: 72 Cannon Street, London, EC4N 6AE  
Email: [dataservices@judicium.com](mailto:dataservices@judicium.com)  
Web: [www.judiciumeducation.co.uk](http://www.judiciumeducation.co.uk)  
Telephone: 0203 326 9174  
Lead Contact: Craig Stilwell

## DATA BREACH PROCEDURE

### What Is A Personal Data Breach?

A personal data breach is a breach of security leading to the accidental or unlawful destruction, loss, alteration, unauthorised disclosure of, or access to, personal data or special category data transmitted, stored or otherwise processed.

Examples of a data breach could include the following (but are not exhaustive): -

- Loss or theft of data or equipment on which data is stored, for example loss of a laptop or a paper file (this includes accidental loss);
- Inappropriate access controls allowing unauthorised use;
- Equipment failure;
- Human error (for example sending an email or SMS to the wrong recipient);
- Unforeseen circumstances such as a fire or flood;
- Hacking, phishing and other "blagging" attacks where information is obtained by deceiving whoever holds it.

### When Does It Need To Be Reported?

The School must notify the ICO of a data breach where it is likely to result in a risk to the rights and freedoms of individuals. This means that the breach needs to be more than just losing personal data and if unaddressed the breach is likely to have a significant detrimental effect on individuals.

Examples of where the breach may have a significant effect includes: -

- potential or actual discrimination;
- potential or actual financial loss;
- potential or actual loss of confidentiality;
- risk to physical safety or reputation;
- exposure to identity theft (for example through the release of non-public identifiers such as passport details);
- the exposure of the private aspect of a person's life becoming known by others.

If the breach is likely to result in a high risk to the rights and freedoms of individuals then the individuals must also be notified directly.

### Reporting A Data Breach

If you know or suspect a personal data breach has occurred or may occur which meets the criteria above, you should: -

- Complete a data breach report form (which can be obtained from the SBM);
- Email the completed form to Nepa Begum.

Where appropriate, you should liaise with your line manager about completion of the data report form. Breach reporting is encouraged throughout the School and staff are expected to seek advice if they are unsure as to whether the breach should be reported and/or could result in a risk to the rights and freedom of individuals. They can seek advice from their line manager, Headteacher, SBM or the DPO.

Once reported, you should not take any further action in relation to the breach. In particular you must not notify any affected individuals or regulators or investigate

further. Nepa Begum will acknowledge receipt of the data breach report form and take appropriate steps to deal with the report in collaboration with the DPO.

## MANAGING AND RECORDING THE BREACH

On being notified of a suspected personal data breach, Nepa Begum will notify the DPO. Collectively they will take immediate steps to establish whether a personal data breach has in fact occurred. If so they will take steps to:-

- Where possible, contain the data breach;
- As far as possible, recover, rectify or delete the data that has been lost, damaged or disclosed;
- Assess and record the breach in the School's data breach register;
- Notify the ICO;
- Notify data subjects affected by the breach;
- Notify other appropriate parties to the breach;
- Take steps to prevent future breaches.

### **Notifying the ICO**

Craig Stilwell will notify the ICO when a personal data breach has occurred which is likely to result in a risk to the rights and freedoms of individuals.

This will be done without undue delay and, where possible, within 72 hours of becoming aware of the breach. The 72 hours deadline is applicable regardless of school holidays (I.e. it is not 72 working hours). If the School are unsure of whether to report a breach, the assumption will be to report it.

Where the notification is not made within 72 hours of becoming aware of the breach, written reasons will be recorded as to why there was a delay in referring the matter to the ICO.

### **Notifying Data Subjects**

Where the data breach is likely to result in a high risk to the rights and freedoms of data subjects, the Headteacher will notify the affected individuals without undue delay including the name and contact details of the DPO and ICO, the likely consequences of the data breach and the measures the School have (or intended) to take to address the breach.

When determining whether it is necessary to notify individuals directly of the breach, the Headteacher will co-operate with and seek guidance from the DPO, the ICO and any other relevant authorities (such as the police).

If it would involve disproportionate effort to notify the data subjects directly (for example, by not having contact details of the affected individual) then the School will consider alternative means to make those affected aware (for example by making a statement on the School website).

### **Notifying Other Authorities**

The School will need to consider whether other parties need to be notified of the breach. For example: -

- Insurers;
- Parents;
- Third parties (for example when they are also affected by the breach);
- Local authority;
- The police (for example if the breach involved theft of equipment or data).

This list is non-exhaustive.

## ASSESSING THE BREACH

Once initial reporting procedures have been carried out, the School will carry out all necessary investigations into the breach.

The School will identify how the breach occurred and take immediate steps to stop or minimise further loss, destruction or unauthorised disclosure of personal data. We will identify ways to recover correct or delete data (for example notifying our insurers or the police if the breach involves stolen hardware or data).

Having dealt with containing the breach, the School will consider the risks associated with the breach. These factors will help determine whether further steps need to be taken (for example notifying the ICO and/or data subjects as set out above). These factors include: -

- What type of data is involved and how sensitive it is;
- The volume of data affected;
- Who is affected by the breach (i.e. the categories and number of people involved);
- The likely consequences of the breach on affected data subjects following containment and whether further issues are likely to materialise;
- Are there any protections in place to secure the data (for example, encryption, password protection, pseudonymisation);
- What has happened to the data;
- What could the data tell a third party about the data subject;
- What are the likely consequences of the personal data breach on the school; and
- Any other wider consequences which may be applicable.

## PREVENTING FUTURE BREACHES

Once the data breach has been dealt with, the School will consider its security processes with the aim of preventing further breaches. In order to do this, we will: -

- Establish what security measures were in place when the breach occurred;
- Assess whether technical or organisational measures can be implemented to prevent the breach happening again;
- Consider whether there is adequate staff awareness of security issues and look to fill any gaps through training or tailored advice;
- Consider whether its necessary to conduct a privacy or data protection impact assessment;
- Consider whether further audits or data protection steps need to be taken;
- To update the data breach register;
- To debrief governors/management following the investigation.

## REPORTING DATA PROTECTION CONCERNS

Prevention is always better than dealing with data protection as an after-thought. Data security concerns may arise at any time and we would encourage you to report any concerns (even if they don't meet the criteria of a data breach) that you may have to the Headteacher or the DPO. This can help capture risks as they emerge, protect the School from data breaches and keep our processes up to date and effective.

## MONITORING

We will monitor the effectiveness of this and all of our policies and procedures and conduct a full review and update as appropriate.

Our monitoring and review will include looking at how our policies and procedures are working in practice to reduce the risks posed to the School.

## CHAPTER 3: INFORMATION SECURITY

### INTRODUCTION AND SCOPE

Information Security can be defined as the protection of information and information systems from unauthorised access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification or destruction.

The information covered by this policy includes all written, spoken and electronic information held, used or transmitted by or on behalf of the School, in whatever media. This includes information held on computer systems, paper records, hand-held devices, and information transmitted orally. For the avoidance of doubt, the term 'mobile devices' used in this policy refers to any removable media or mobile device that can store data. This includes, but is not limited to, laptops, tablets, digital cameras, memory sticks and smartphones.

### GENERAL PRINCIPLES

All data stored on our IT systems are to be classified appropriately (including, but not limited to, personal data, sensitive personal data and confidential information. Further details on the categories of data can be found in the Record of Processing Activities). All data so classified must be handled appropriately in accordance with its classification.

Staff should discuss with Headteacher the appropriate security arrangements for the type of information they access in the course of their work.

All data stored on our IT Systems and our paper records shall be available only to members of staff with legitimate need for access and shall be protected against unauthorised access and/or processing and against loss and/or corruption.

All IT Systems are to be installed, maintained, serviced, repaired, and upgraded by ICT Technician or by such third party/parties as the Headteacher may authorise.

The responsibility for the security and integrity of all IT Systems and the data stored thereon (including, but not limited to, the security, integrity, and confidentiality of that data) lies with the Headteacher unless expressly stated otherwise.

All staff have an obligation to report actual and potential data protection compliance failures to the Headteacher who shall investigate the breach. Any breach which is either known or suspected to involve personal data or sensitive personal data shall be reported to the Data Protection Officer.

### PHYSICAL SECURITY AND PROCEDURES

Paper records and documents containing personal information, sensitive personal information, and confidential information shall be positioned in a way to avoid them being viewed by people passing by as much as possible, e.g. through windows. At the end of the working day, or when you leave your desk unoccupied, all paper documents shall be securely stored away to avoid unauthorised access.

Available storage rooms, locked cabinets, and other storage systems with locks shall be used to store paper records when not in use.

Paper documents containing confidential personal information should not be left on office and classroom desks, on staffroom tables, or pinned to noticeboards where there is general access unless there is legal reason to do so and/or relevant consents have been obtained. You should take particular care if documents have to be taken out of school.

The physical security of buildings and storage systems shall be reviewed on a regular basis. If you find the security to be insufficient, you must inform the Headteacher as soon as possible. Increased risks of vandalism and or burglary shall be taken into account when assessing the level of security required.

The School carry out regular checks of the buildings and storage systems to ensure they are maintained to a high standard. The School has an intercom system to minimise the risk of unauthorised people from entering the school premises. The School close the school gates during certain hours to prevent unauthorised access to the building. An alarm system is set nightly. CCTV Cameras are in use at the School and monitored by the Premises Manager and Admin team.

Visitors are required to sign in at the reception and never be left alone in areas where they could have access to confidential information.

## COMPUTERS AND IT

### Responsibilities of the ICT Technician

The ICT Technician shall be responsible for the following:

- ensuring that all IT Systems are assessed and deemed suitable for compliance with the School's security requirements;
- assisting all members of staff in understanding and complying with information security;
- providing all members of staff with appropriate support in the use of IT Systems;
- ensuring that all members of staff are granted levels of access to IT Systems that are appropriate for each member, taking into account their job role, responsibilities, and any special security requirements;
- receiving and handling all reports relating to IT Security matters and taking appropriate action in response [including, in the event that any reports relate to personal data, informing the Data Protection Officer];
- taking proactive action, where possible, to establish and implement IT security procedures and raise awareness among members of staff;
- monitoring all IT security within the School and taking all necessary action to implement any changes in the future; and
- ensuring that regular backups are taken of all data stored within the IT Systems at regular intervals and that such backups are stored at a suitable location offsite.

### Responsibilities – Members of staff

All members of staff must comply with all relevant parts of this policy at all times when using the IT Systems.

Computers and other electronic devices should be locked when not in use to minimise the accidental loss or disclosure.

You must immediately inform the Headteacher of any and all security concerns relating to the IT Systems which could or has led to a data breach as set out in the Breach Notification Policy.

Any other technical problems (including, but not limited to, hardware failures and software errors) which may occur on the IT Systems shall be reported to the ICT technician immediately via the ticketing system.

You are not entitled to install any software of your own without the approval of the ICT Technician. Any software belonging to you must be approved by the Headteacher and

may only be installed where that installation poses no security risk to the IT Systems and where the installation would not breach any licence agreements to which that software may be subject.

Prior to installation of any software onto the IT Systems, you must obtain written permission by the Headteacher. This permission must clearly state which software you may install, and onto which computer(s) or device(s) it may be installed.

Prior to any usage of physical media (e.g. USB memory sticks or disks of any kind) for transferring files, you must make sure to have the physical media is virus-scanned. The Headteacher has approved the use of LGFL myDrive for transferring of files using cloud storage systems. Guidance on how to use this is located in Staff Public/ A6 Approved policies/Approved Policies/ Other incl Data protection and equalities/Data protection/Email security and transferring-storing data step by step.

If you detect any virus this must be reported immediately to the ICT Technician. (this rule shall apply even where the anti-virus software automatically fixes the problem).

## ACCESS SECURITY

All members of staff are responsible for the security of the equipment allocated to or used by them and must not allow it to be used by anyone other than in accordance with this policy.

The School has a secure firewall and anti-virus software in place. These prevent individuals from unauthorised access and to protect the School's network.

All IT Systems (in particular mobile devices) shall be protected with a secure password or passcode, or such other form of secure log-in system as approved by the IT Technician. Passwords must be kept confidential and must not be made available to anyone else unless authorised by a member of the Senior Leadership Group. Any member of staff who discloses his or her password to another employee in the absence of express authorisation will be liable to disciplinary action under the School's Disciplinary Policy and Procedure. Any member of staff who logs on to a computer using another member of staff's password will be liable to disciplinary action up to and including summary dismissal for gross misconduct.

If you forget your password you should notify the ICT Technician to have your access to the IT Systems restored. You must set up a new password immediately upon the restoration of access to the IT Systems. You should not write down passwords if it is possible to remember them. If necessary you may write down passwords provided that

you store them securely (e.g. in a locked drawer or in a secure password database). Passwords should never be left on display for others to see.

Computers and other electronic devices with displays and user input devices (e.g. mouse, keyboard, touchscreen etc.) shall be protected with a screen lock that will activate after a period of inactivity. You may not change this time period or disable the lock.

All mobile devices provided by the School, shall be set to lock, sleep, or similar, after a period of inactivity, requiring a password, passcode, or other form of log-in to unlock, wake or similar. You may not alter this time period.

Staff should be aware that if they fail to log off and leave their terminals unattended they may be held responsible for another user's activities on their terminal in breach of this policy and/or the requirement for confidentiality in respect of certain information.

## DATA SECURITY

Personal data sent over the school network will be encrypted or otherwise secured. All members of staff are prohibited from downloading, installing or running software from external sources without obtaining prior authorisation from ICT Technician who will consider bona fide requests for work purposes. Please note that this includes instant messaging programs, screen savers, photos, video clips, games, music files and opening any documents or communications from unknown origins. Where consent is given all files and data should always be virus checked before they are downloaded onto the School's systems.

You may connect your own devices (including, but not limited to, laptops, tablets, and smartphones) to the School's Wi-Fi provided that you follow the Headteacher's requirements and instructions governing this use. All usage of your own device(s) whilst connected to the School's network or any other part of the IT Systems is subject to all relevant School Policies (including, but not limited to, this policy). The Headteacher may at any time request the immediate disconnection of any such devices without notice.

## ELECTRONIC STORAGE OF DATA

All portable data, and in particular personal data, should be stored on encrypted drives using methods recommended by the Headteacher.

All data stored electronically on physical media, and in particular personal data, should be stored securely in a locked box, drawer, cabinet, or similar.

You should not store any personal data on any mobile device, whether such device belongs to the School or otherwise without prior approval of the Headteacher. You should delete data copied onto any of these devices as soon as possible and make sure it is stored on the School's computer network in order for it to be backed up.

All electronic data must be securely backed up by the end of the each working day and is done by the ICT Technician.

### HOME WORKING

You should not take confidential or other information home without prior permission of the Headteacher, and only do so where satisfied appropriate technical and practical measures are in place within your home to maintain the continued security and confidentiality of that information.

When you have been given permission to take confidential or other information home, you must ensure that:

- a) the information is kept in a secure and locked environment where it cannot be accessed by family members or visitors; and
- b) all confidential material that requires disposal is shredded or, in the case of electronical material, securely destroyed, as soon as any need for its retention has passed.

### COMMUNICATIONS, TRANSFER, INTERNET AND EMAIL USE

When using the School's IT Systems you are subject to and must comply with the School's Internet Acceptable Use, E-safety and Social Media Policy.

The School work to ensure the systems do protect pupils and staff and are reviewed and improved regularly.

If staff or pupils discover unsuitable sites or any material which would be unsuitable, this should be reported to ICT Technician.

The LGFL system ensures that filtering methods are appropriate, effective and reasonable and that users access only appropriate material as far as possible. This is not always possible to guarantee and the school cannot accept liability for the material accessed or its consequence.

All personal information, and in particular sensitive personal information and confidential information should be encrypted before being sent by email, or sent using the LGFL USO-FX system, egress system, gcsx system or recorded delivery. The school does not use fax as a means of sending data.

Postal and email addresses and numbers should be checked and verified before you send information to them. In particular you should take extra care with email addresses where auto-complete features may have inserted incorrect addresses.

You should be careful about maintaining confidentiality when speaking in public places.

You should make sure to mark confidential information 'confidential' and circulate this information only to those who need to know the information in the course of their work for the School.

Personal or confidential information should not be removed from the School without prior permission from the Headteacher except where the removal is temporary and necessary. When such permission is given you must take all reasonable steps to ensure that the integrity of the information and the confidentiality are maintained. You must ensure that the information is:

- a) not transported in see-through or other un-secured bags or cases;
- b) not read in public places (e.g. waiting rooms, cafes, trains, etc.); and
- c) not left unattended or in any place where it is at risk (e.g. in car boots, cafes, etc.)

Appendix 1: Data Protection Impact Assessment

**Data Protection Impact Assessment**

**Name Of School:**

**Assessment Carried Out By:**

**Reviewed By DPO On:**

**Name Of Project/Technology/System**

**Aims Of The Project/Technology/System**

**Use Of Personal Data**

**Reasons For Processing**

**Impact On Personal Data**

**Risks To Individuals**

**Will This Information Be Shared With Third Parties?**

**What Steps Will Be Taken To Protect The Data?**

**How Will The Project/Technology/System Protect Data?**

**Any Other Factors To Consider**

**Compliance Statement**

[I/we] can confirm that this data protection impact assessment has been completed to the best of [my/our] knowledge and that the [project/software/technology] complies with the data protection principles under the GDPR.

All privacy risks and solutions have been considered and represent a proportionate response to the identified risks to personal data. [Arrangements have been made to monitor the arrangement at regular intervals to ensure ongoing GDPR compliance].

[INSERT ANY SOLUTIONS/ACTIONS HERE]

Signed:

Date:

### **DPO Statement**

I can confirm that I have reviewed the DPIA above and are satisfied that the school have taken appropriate and proportionate steps to protect the data.

[DPO - INSERT ANY ADDITIONAL ADVICE HERE]

Signed:

Date: