

Building strong schools, Building strong partnerships, Building strong communities

SOUTHEND EAST COMMUNITY ACADEMY TRUST

Data Protection Policy Appendix



Richmond Primary School

| Review date | Autumn 2023 (October) |
|------------------|----------------------------|
| Reviewed by | K Moneypenny |
| Next review date | As per policy review cycle |



Richmond Avenue Primary & Nursery School collects and uses personal information about staff, pupils, parents and other individuals who come into contact with the school. This information is gathered in order to enable it to provide education and other associated functions. In addition, there may be a legal requirement to collect and use information to ensure that the school complies with its statutory obligations.

General Statement

The school is committed to maintaining the above principles at all times.

Therefore, the school will:

- Inform individuals why the information is being collected when it is collected
- Inform individuals when their information is shared, and why and with whom it was shared
- Check the quality and the accuracy of the information it holds
- Ensure that information is not retained for longer than is necessary
- Ensure that when obsolete information is destroyed that it is done so appropriately and securely
- Ensure that clear and robust safeguards are in place to protect personal information from loss, theft, and unauthorised disclosure, irrespective of the format in which it is recorded
- Share information with others only when it is legally appropriate to do so
- Set out procedures to ensure compliance with the duty to respond to requests for access to personal information, known as Subject Access Requests
- Ensure our staff are aware of and understand our policies and procedures Use of Personal Information by the School

The school will, from time to time, make use of personal information relating to pupils, their parents or guardians in the following ways:

- The use photographic images of pupils in school publications and on the school website, app or social media page.
- For fundraising, marketing, or promotional purposes and to maintain relationships with pupils of the school, including transferring information to any association society or club set up for the purpose of establishing or maintaining contact with pupils.

If you have any concerns or wish to limit or object to any such use please notify the DPO in writing.

Consent

Signed consent to take photographs or record images of children will be requested from the parent or carer on enrolment of their child. The purpose for taking any images is to be clearly explained and agreed. Any consent given is to be reviewed on a regular basis (of a period of no more than one year) until such time the child or young person will no longer attend the school.

Consent under the GDPR must be a freely given, specific, informed and unambiguous indication of the individual's wishes. We will always ask for an opt in consent and non-response will be taken as non-consent. The school will ensure there are opportunities for parents to withdraw consent at any time.





Record Keeping

As part of the School's record of processing activities the DPO will document, or link to documentation on:

- information required for privacy notices
- records of consent
- controller-processor contracts
- the location of personal information
- DPIAs
- Records of data breaches.

Records of processing of sensitive information are kept on:

- The relevant purposes for which the processing takes place, including why it is necessary for that purpose
- The lawful basis for our processing
- Whether the personal information is retained or erased in accordance with the Retention Schedule and, if not, the reasons for not following the policy.

The School should conduct regular reviews of the personal information it processes and update its documentation accordingly. This may include:

- Carrying out information audits to find out what personal information is held
- Talking to staff about their processing activities
- Reviewing policies, procedures, contracts and agreements to address retention, security and data sharing.

Privacy Notice

The school will issue privacy notices as required, informing data subjects (or their parents, depending on age of the pupil, if about pupil information) about the personal information that it collects and holds relating to individual data subjects, how individuals can expect their personal information to be used and for what purposes.

When information is collected directly from data subjects, including for HR or employment purposes, the data subject shall be given all the information required by the GDPR including the identity of the DPO, how and why the School will use, process, disclose, protect and retain that personal data through a privacy notice (which must be presented when the data subject first provides the data).

The School will take appropriate measures to provide information in privacy notices in a concise, transparent, intelligible and easily accessible form, using clear and plain language. These are available on the school website https://www.richmond-avenue.co.uk/

Data Minimisation

Personal data must be adequate, relevant and limited to what is necessary in relation to the purposes for which it is processed.

Staff may only process data when their role requires it. Staff must not process personal data for any reason unrelated to their role.





The School maintains a Retention Schedule to ensure personal data is deleted after a reasonable time for the purpose for which it was being held, unless a law requires such data to be kept for a minimum time. Staff must take all reasonable steps to destroy or delete all personal data that is heldin its systems when it is no longer required in accordance with the Schedule. This includes requiring third parties to delete such data where applicable.

Individual Rights

Staff as well as any other 'data subjects' have the following rights in relation to their personal information:

- To be informed about how, why and on what basis that information is processed (see the relevant privacy notice)
- To obtain confirmation that personal information is being processed and to obtain access to it and certain other information, by making a subject access request
- To have data corrected if it is inaccurate or incomplete
- To have data erased if it is no longer necessary for the purpose for which it was originally collected/processed, or if there are no overriding legitimate grounds for the processing ('the right to be forgotten')
- To restrict the processing of personal information where the accuracy of the information is contested, or the processing is unlawful (but you do not want the data to be erased) or where the school no longer need the personal information, but you require the data to establish, exercise or defend a legal claim
- To restrict the processing of personal information temporarily where you do not think it is accurate (and the school are verifying whether it is accurate), or where you have objected to the processing (and the school are considering whether the school's legitimate grounds override your interests)
- In limited circumstances to receive or ask for their personal data to be transferred to a third party in a structured, commonly used and machine-readable format
- To withdraw consent to processing at any time (if applicable)
- To request a copy of an agreement under which personal data is transferred outside of the EEA.
- To object to decisions based solely on automated processing, including profiling
- To be notified of a data breach which is likely to result in high risk to their rights and obligations
- To make a complaint to the ICO or a Court.

Individual Responsibilities

During their employment, staff may have access to the personal information of other members of staff, suppliers, clients or the public. The school expects staff to help meet its data protection obligations to those individuals.

If you have access to personal information, you must:

• only access the personal information that you have authority to access and only for authorised purposes





- only allow other staff to access personal information if they have appropriate authorisation
- only allow individuals who are not school staff to access personal information if you have specific authority to do so
- keep personal information secure (e.g. by complying with rules on access to premises, computer access, password protection and secure file storage and destruction in accordance with the school's policies).
- not remove personal information, or devices containing personal information (or which can be used to access it) from the school's premises unless appropriate security measures are in place (such as pseudonymisation, encryption or password protection) to secure the information and the device
- not store personal information on local drives or on personal devices that are used for work purposes.

Staff Training

All staff who have access to personal data should receive training in GDPR on a yearly basis. The school should also ensure that it keeps records of who has received training and when. The school will record this information on the Single Central Record.

Complaints

Complaints will be dealt with in accordance with the school's complaints policy and any queries should be directed to either the Head teacher or the DPO. The School's Data Protection Officer is MrD Mattingly (Deputy Headteacher)

The DPO can be contacted via email at: admin@richmond-pri.southend.sch.uk Complaints relating to information handling may be referred to the Information Commissioner's Office.

Further advice and information is available from the Information Commissioner's Office, www.ico.gov.uk or telephone 03031231113.

