



**Privacy Notice (How we use Pupil Information)**

Under data protection law, individuals have a right to be informed about how the school uses any personal data that we hold about them. This privacy notice explains how we collect, store and use personal data about **pupils**.

**The personal data we hold**

Personal data that we may collect, use, store and share (when appropriate) about pupils includes, but is not restricted to:

* Contact details, contact preferences, date of birth, identification documents
* Results of internal assessments and externally set tests
* Pupil and curricular records
* Characteristics, such as ethnic background, eligibility for free school meals, or special educational needs
* Exclusion information
* Details of any medical conditions, including physical and mental health
* Attendance information
* Safeguarding information
* Details of any support received, including care packages, plans and support providers
* Photographs
* CCTV images captured in school

We may also hold data about pupils that we have received from other organisations, including other schools, local authorities and the Department for Education.

**Why we use this data**

We use this data to:

* Support pupil learning
* Monitor and report on pupil progress
* Provide appropriate pastoral care
* Protect pupil welfare
* Assess the quality of our services
* Administer admissions waiting lists
* Carry out research
* Keep parents/carers updated about school activities
* Comply with the law regarding data sharing

**Our legal basis for using this data**

We only collect and use pupils’ personal data when the law allows us to. Most commonly, we process it where:

* We need to comply with a legal obligation
* We need it to perform an official task in the public interest

Less commonly, we may also process pupils’ personal data in situations where:

* We have obtained consent to use it in a certain way
* We need to protect the individual’s vital interests (or someone else’s interests)

Where we have obtained consent to use pupils’ personal data, this consent can be withdrawn at any time. We will make this clear when we ask for consent, and explain how consent can be withdrawn.

Some of the reasons listed above for collecting and using pupils’ personal data overlap, and there may be several grounds which justify our use of this data.

**Collecting this information**

While the majority of information we collect about pupils is mandatory, there is some information that can be provided voluntarily.

Whenever we seek to collect information from you or your child, we make it clear whether providing it is mandatory or optional. If it is mandatory, we will explain the possible consequences of not complying.

**How we store this data**

We keep personal information about pupils while they are attending our school. We may also keep it beyond their attendance at our school if this is necessary in order to comply with our legal obligations. Our Record Management Policy sets out how long we keep information about pupils. A copy of our Record Management Policy can be obtained from our Data Protection Officer (see Contact us below).

**Data sharing**

We do not share information about pupils with any third party 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 pupils with:

* Our local authority – to meet our legal obligations to share certain information with it, such as safeguarding concerns and exclusions
* The Department for Education
* The pupil’s family and representatives
* Educators and examining bodies
* Our regulators – Ofsted and the Diocese of Leeds (SIAMS)
* Suppliers and service providers – to enable them to provide the service we have contracted them for
* Financial organisations
* Central and local government
* Our auditors
* Survey and research organisations
* Health authorities
* Security organisations
* Health and social welfare organisations
* Professional advisers and consultants
* Charities and voluntary organisations
* Police forces, courts, tribunals
* Professional bodies

**National Pupil Database**

We are required to provide information about pupils to the Department for Education as part of statutory data collections such as the school census.

Some of this information is then stored in the [National Pupil Database](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-pupil-database-user-guide-and-supporting-information) (NPD), which is owned and managed by the Department and provides evidence on school performance to inform research.

The database is held electronically so it can easily be turned into statistics. The information is securely collected from a range of sources including schools, local authorities and exam boards.

The Department for Education may share information from the NPD with other organisations which promote children’s education or wellbeing in England. Such organisations must agree to strict terms and conditions about how they will use the data.

For more information, see the Department’s webpage on [how it collects and shares research data](https://www.gov.uk/data-protection-how-we-collect-and-share-research-data).

You can also [contact the Department for Education](https://www.gov.uk/contact-dfe) with any further questions about the NPD.

**Parents and pupils’ rights regarding personal data**

Individuals have a right to make a **‘subject access request’** to gain access to personal information that the school holds about them.

Parents/carers can make a request with respect to their child’s data where the child is not considered mature enough to understand their rights over their own data (usually under the age of 12), or where the child has provided consent.

Parents also have the right to make a subject access request with respect to any personal data the school holds about them.

If you make a subject access request, and if we do hold information about you or your child, we will give you a copy of the information in an intelligible form.

If you would like to make a request please contact our Data Protection Officer (see Contact us below).

Parents/carers also have a legal right to access to their child’s **educational record**. To request access, please contact Mrs Karen Smith, Headteacher via the School Office.

**Other rights**

Under data protection law, individuals have certain rights regarding how their personal data is used and kept safe, including the right to:

* Object to the use of personal data if it would cause, or is causing, damage or distress
* Prevent it being used to send direct marketing
* Object to decisions being taken by automated means (by a computer or machine, rather than by a person)
* In certain circumstances, have inaccurate personal data corrected, deleted or destroyed, or restrict processing
* Claim compensation for damages caused by a breach of the data protection regulations

To exercise any of these rights, please contact our Data Protection Officer (see Contact us below).

**Complaints**

We take any complaints about how we collect and use your personal data very seriously, so please let us know if you think we’ve done something wrong.

You can make a complaint at any time by contacting our data protection officer.

You can also complain to the Information Commissioner’s Office in one of the following ways:

* Report a concern online at <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/>
* Call 0303 123 1113
* Or write to: Information Commissioner’s Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

**Contact us**

If you have any questions, concerns or would like more information about anything mentioned in this privacy notice, please contact our **Data Protection Officer**:

**Junior School: Mrs E. Stollery (acting DPO)**

**c/o: St Andrew’s CE (VA) Junior School, Waterloo Road, Brighouse, West Yorkshire HD6 2AN**

**Tel: 01484 712895**

**Email:** **sbm@standrews.calderdale.sch.uk**

**Infant School: Mrs H. Rooney (acting DPO)**

 **c/o: St Andrew’s CE (VA) Infant School, Lightcliffe Road, Brighouse,**

 **West Yorkshire HD6 2HH**

 **Tel: 01484 714964**

 **Email@** **admin@standrews.calderdale.sch.uk**