

## **GEORGE ROMNEY JUNIOR SCHOOL**

### **Privacy Notice for Looked After Children (How we use pupil information)**

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#### **The categories of pupil information that we collect, hold and share include:**

- Personal information (such as name, unique pupil number and address)
- Characteristics (such as ethnicity, language, nationality, country of birth and free school meal eligibility, pupil premium)
- Attendance information i.e. number of absences and absence reasons
- Medical information
- SEND information
- Accident information
- Safeguarding information
- Attendance information (such as sessions attended, number of absences and absence reasons)
- Behavioural information including exclusions
- Assessment information
- Historical information (previous school)
- information relating to episodes of being a child in need (such as referral information, assessment information, Section 47 information, Initial Child Protection information and Child Protection Plan information)
- episodes of being looked after (such as important dates, information on placements)
- outcomes for looked after children (such as whether health and dental assessments are up to date, strengths and difficulties questionnaire scores and offending)
- adoptions (such as dates of key court orders and decisions)
- care leavers (such as their activity and what type of accommodation they have)
- Photographs
- Voice and video recordings
- CCTV footage.

## **Collecting Pupil Information**

Whilst the majority of the personal data you provide to the school about children in your care school is mandatory, some is provided on a voluntary basis. When collecting data, the school will inform you whether you are required to provide this data or if your consent is needed. Where consent is required, the school will provide you with specific information with regards to the reasons the data is being collected and how the data will be used.

## **Why we collect and use this information**

George Romney Junior School holds the legal right to collect and use personal data relating to pupils, parents and their carers and we may also receive information regarding from their previous school, LA and or the DfE. We collect and use personal data in order to meet legal requirements and legitimate interests set out in the GDPR and UK law, including those in relation to the following:

- Article 6 and Article 9 of the GDPR
- Education Act 1996
- Regulation 5 of The Education (Information About Individual Pupils) (England) Regulations 2013.

In accordance with the above, the personal data of pupils, parents and carers is collected and used for the following reasons:

- to support pupil learning
- to monitor and report on pupil progress
- to provide appropriate pastoral care
- to assess the quality of our services
- to evaluate and improve our policies on children's social care
- to comply with the law regarding data sharing
- to comply with Health & Safety law.
- to promote our school
- to safeguard our pupils
- for data collection purposes.

## **Storing Pupil Data**

Personal data relating to pupils at George Romney Junior School and their families is stored in line with the school's GDPR Data Protection Policy and our Records Management Schedule.

In accordance with the GDPR, the school does not store personal data indefinitely but only for as long as is necessary to complete the task for which it was originally collected.

## **Who we share pupil information with**

The school is required to share pupils' data with the DfE on a statutory basis. The National Pupil Database (NPD) is managed by the DfE and contains information about pupils in schools in England. George Romney Junior School is required by law to provide information about our pupils to the DfE as part of statutory data collections such as the school census; some of this information is then stored in the NPD. The DfE may share

information about our pupils from the NDP with third parties who promote the education or wellbeing of children by

- Conducting research or analysis
- Producing statistics

Section 83 of 1989 Children's Act, Section 7 of the Young People's Act 2008 and also under section 3 of The Education (Information About Individual Pupils) (England) Regulations 2013. This data sharing helps to develop national policies, manage local authority performance, administer and allocate funding and identify and encourage good practice.

The DfE has robust processes in place to ensure the confidentiality of any data shared from the NDP is maintained.

George Romney Junior School will not share your personal information with any third parties without your consent unless the law allows us to do so. The school routinely shares pupils' information with:

- schools that the pupils attend after leaving us
- our local authority
- the Department for Education (DfE)
- Education Welfare Officer
- Social Care and health professionals
- Cumbria Constabulary
- Online payment providers
- Online school visits management system
- Online education sites
- Online rewards site.

### **What are your rights?**

In relation to the processing of their personal data, parents and pupils have the right to:

- be informed about how George Romney Junior School uses their personal data
- object to processing of personal data that is likely to cause, or is causing, damage or distress
- prevent processing for the purpose of direct marketing
- request that the processing of your data is restricted
- object to decisions being taken by automated means
- in certain circumstances, have inaccurate personal data rectified, blocked, erased or destroyed
- request access to the personal data that the school holds
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- claim compensation for damages caused by a breach of the Data Protection regulations.

Where the processing of your data is based on your consent, you have the right to withdraw this consent at any time.

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