# **Carrington Junior School Privacy Notice (How we use pupil information)**

We, **Carrington Junior School**, are a data controller for the purposes of the General Data Protection Regulation. We collect and hold personal information from you about your child and may receive information about your child from their previous school or college, the Local Authority (LA), the Department of Education (DfE) and the Learning Records Service.

#### The categories of pupil information that we process include:

- personal identifiers and contacts (such as name, unique pupil number, contact details and address);
- characteristics (such as ethnicity, language, religion where given and free school meal eligibility);
- safeguarding information (such as referrals to agencies, court orders and professional involvement with agencies and reports for meetings where needed);
- special educational needs (including support plans, EHCP information, professional visit notes and reports, intervention ongoing assessments, ARP requests and communication related to this and links with other settings a child may come or exit to);
- medical and administration (such as doctors information, child health including health care plans, dental health, allergies, medication and dietary requirements and first aid incidents);
- attendance (such as sessions attended, number of absences, absence reasons and any previous schools attended and links with the County attendance officer);
- assessment and attainment (such as ongoing data recorded termly, reading records, standardised testing, Key Stage 2 results, and any other relevant results, as well as end of year reports);
- behavioural information (such as reports of incidents, exclusions and any relevant alternative provision put in place):
- photographic information where this is agreed to by parents such as the child's picture on our data management system, on displays, in work and on the website etc;
- pupil premium management including the collection of national insurance numbers for parents to confirm eligibility on admission and as required in liaison with parents due to change of circumstances;
- free school meal management and catering;
- identity management/authentication (such as birth certificates/passports on admission to the school);
- trips and activities information.

# Why we collect and use pupil information

We collect and use pupil information, for the following purposes:

- a) to support pupil learning
- b) to secure the pupils' well-being
- c) to monitor and report on pupil attainment progress
- d) to provide appropriate pastoral care
- e) to assess the quality of our services
- f) to keep children safe (food allergies, or emergency contact details)
- g) to meet the statutory duties placed upon us for DfE data collections
- h) to ensure a smooth transition to and from their next setting

We will only retain the data we collect for as long as is necessary to satisfy the purpose for which it has been collected.

Under the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), the lawful bases we rely on for processing pupil information are:

- Article 6.1.e states that the use of personal data is justified if 'processing is necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest or in the exercise of official authority vested in the controller'. In this instance, the requirement for the school to deliver education under the Education Act (1996) requires us to collect information to deliver this service.
- Article 9 covers the use of sensitive personal information (this includes health and social care information). This is justified either by article 9.2.a (consent from the data subject) or article 9.2.e (processing 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).

# How we collect pupil information

We obtain pupil information via registration forms at the start of each academic year. In addition, when a child joins us from another school we are sent a secure file containing relevant information. We may also speak to the school that the child has previously attended.

Pupil data is essential for the schools' operational use. Whilst the majority of pupil information you provide to us is mandatory, some of it is requested on a voluntary basis. In order to comply with the data protection legislation, we will inform you at the point of collection, whether you are required to provide certain pupil information to us or if you have a choice in this.

#### How we store pupil data

We hold pupil data in line with the IRMS (Information Records Management Toolkit for Schools) guidelines. Pupil data is securely held for the set amount of time shown in our data retention schedule. For more information on our data retention schedule and how we keep your data safe, please visit: www.carringtonjs.co.uk.

# Who we share pupil information with

We routinely share pupil information with:

- schools that the pupils attend after leaving us
- our Local Authority
- the Department for Education (DfE)
- school governors
- outside agencies including the school nursing team & the NHS
- Special Needs agencies such as Speech & Language, Occupational Therapy, Educational Psychologist,
  Specialist Teaching Service
- Safeguarding agencies such as Social Care as needed
- Children's Wellbeing services such as CAMHS, play therapists
- the school's hot meal provider
- the school's website provider
- curriculum resources for which the school subscribes (all web resources are checked and minimal details are shared with online teaching resources)
- other parties where there is a legal basis for doing so

#### Why we share pupil information

We do not share information about our pupils with anyone without consent unless the law and our policies allow us to do so.

We share pupils' data with the Department for Education (DfE) on a statutory basis. This data sharing underpins school funding and educational attainment policy and monitoring. We are required to share information about our pupils with our Local Authority (LA) and the Department for Education (DfE) under section 3 of The Education (Information About Individual Pupils) (England) Regulations 2013.

# **Department for Education**

The Department for Education (DfE) collects personal data from educational settings and local authorities via various statutory data collections. We are required to share information about our pupils with the Department for Education (DfE) either directly or via our local authority for the purpose of those data collections, under:

- section 3 of The Education (Information About Individual Pupils) (England) Regulations 2013 for the school census, and
- section 87 of the Education Act 2002. Article 11 of The Education (National Curriculum) (Key Stage 2 Assessment Arrangements) (England) Order 20032 for Key Stage 2 assessment and reporting arrangements.

All data is transferred securely and held by the DfE under a combination of software and hardware controls, which meet the current government security policy framework.

For more information, please see the 'How Government uses your data' section.

# Requesting access to your personal data

Under data protection legislation, parents and pupils have the right to request access to information about them that we hold. To make a request for your personal information, or be given access to your child's educational record, please contact the Head Teacher in writing in the first instance stating clearly which information is needed.

Position	Name	Email	Telephone
Head Teacher	Mrs A Majcher	office@carringtonjs.co.uk	01628 521457
Data Protection Officer	Turn It On	dpo@turniton.co.uk	01865 597620 (opt 3)

You also have the right to:

- 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
- object to decisions being taken by automated means
- in certain circumstances, have inaccurate personal data rectified, blocked, erased or destroyed; and
- a right to seek redress, either through the ICO, or through the courts

If you have a concern or complaint about the way we are collecting or using your personal data, you should raise your concern with us in the first instance or directly to the Information Commissioner's Office at <a href="https://ico.org.uk/concerns/">https://ico.org.uk/concerns/</a>

#### **Contact**

If you would like to discuss anything in this Privacy Notice, please contact:

Position	Name	Email	Telephone
Head Teacher	Mrs A Majcher	office@carringtonjs.co.uk	01628 521457
Data Protection Officer	Turn It On	dpo@turniton.co.uk	01865 597620 (opt 3)

# How Government uses your data

The pupil data that we lawfully share with the DfE through data collections:

- underpins school funding, which is calculated based upon the numbers of children and their characteristics in each school.
- informs 'short term' education policy monitoring and school accountability and intervention (for example, Pupil Progress measures).
- supports 'longer term' research and monitoring of educational policy (for example how certain subject choices go on to affect education or earnings beyond school).

# **Data collection requirements**

To find out more about the data collection requirements placed on us by the Department for Education (for example; via the school census) go to <a href="https://www.gov.uk/education/data-collection-and-censuses-for-schools">https://www.gov.uk/education/data-collection-and-censuses-for-schools</a>

#### The National Pupil Database (NPD)

Much of the data about pupils in England goes on to be held in the National Pupil Database (NPD).

The NPD is owned and managed by the Department for Education and contains information about pupils in schools in England. It provides invaluable evidence on educational performance to inform independent research, as well as studies commissioned by the Department.

It is held in electronic format for statistical purposes. This information is securely collected from a range of sources including schools, local authorities and awarding bodies.

To find out more about the NPD, go to <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-pupil-database-user-guide-and-supporting-information">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-pupil-database-user-guide-and-supporting-information</a>

#### **Sharing by the Department**

The law allows the Department to share pupils' personal data with certain third parties, including:

- schools
- local authorities
- researchers
- organisations connected with promoting the education or wellbeing of children in England
- other government departments and agencies

• organisations fighting or identifying crime

For more information about the Department's NPD data sharing process, please visit: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/data-protection-how-we-collect-and-share-research-data">https://www.gov.uk/data-protection-how-we-collect-and-share-research-data</a>

Organisations fighting or identifying crime may use their legal powers to contact the DfE to request access to individual level information relevant to detecting that crime. Whilst numbers fluctuate slightly over time, the DfE typically supplies data on around 600 pupils per year to the Home Office and roughly 1 per year to the Police.

For information about which organisations the Department has provided pupil information, (and for which project) or to access a monthly breakdown of data share volumes with Home Office and the Police please visit the following website: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/dfe-external-data-shares">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/dfe-external-data-shares</a>

To contact DfE: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/contact-dfe">https://www.gov.uk/contact-dfe</a>