



HARRODIAN

Staff, Contractors

& Visitors Privacy Policy

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1 Aims

Our School aims to ensure that all personal data collected about permanent staff, temporary staff, peripatetic staff, volunteers, educational advisors, visitors and other individuals is collected, stored and processed in accordance with the [General Data Protection Regulation \(GDPR\)](#) and the provisions of the Data Protection Act 2018 (DPA 2018).

2 Scope

This policy applies to all personal data, regardless of whether it is in paper or electronic format. It encompasses the data required to support the business of Harrodian now and in the future. Although under a single data controller, this policy refers to Harrodian only. Merlin School has its own data privacy policies and procedures.

3 Legislation and guidance

This policy meets the requirements of the GDPR and the provisions of the DPA 2018. It is based on guidance published by the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) on the [GDPR](#).

4 Definitions

Term	Definition
Personal data	Any information relating to an identified, or identifiable, individual. This may include the individual's: <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Name (including initials)● Identification number● Location data● Online identifier, such as a username It may also include factors specific to the individual's physical, physiological, genetic, mental, economic, cultural or social identity.
Special categories of personal data (Sensitive)	Personal data which is more sensitive and so needs more protection, including information about an individual's: <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Racial or ethnic origin● Political opinions● Religious or philosophical beliefs● Trade union membership● Genetics● Biometrics (such as fingerprints, retina and iris patterns), where used for identification purposes● Health – physical or mental● Sex life or sexual orientation

Confidential personal data	<p>Personal data of an adult which carries the risks of identity theft, criminal impersonation, financial fraud and so needs more protection, including an individual's:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● National insurance Number (NI) ● Date of birth ● Credit card details ● Bank account details ● Copy of passport ● Copy of birth certificate
Processing	<p>Anything done to personal data, such as collecting, recording, organising, structuring, storing, adapting, altering, retrieving, using, disseminating, erasing or destroying.</p> <p>Processing can be automated or manual.</p>
Data subject	The identified or identifiable individual whose personal data is held or processed.
Data controller	An organisation that determines the purposes and the means of processing of personal data.
Data processor	A person or other body, other than an employee of the data controller, who processes personal data on behalf of the data controller.
Personal data breach	A breach of security leading to the accidental or unlawful destruction, loss, alteration, unauthorised disclosure of, or access to personal data.
Student/Pupil	<p>On the school role or has ever been on the school role</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Current ● Alumni ● Perspective pupils/students ● Associated relatives who are part of the registration and application process

5 The data controller

Our School determines the purpose and means of processing the personal data of parents, pupils/students, staff, peri teachers, visitors, and others, and therefore is a data controller.

The School is registered as a data controller with the ICO and will renew this registration annually or as otherwise legally required.

6 Roles and responsibilities

This policy applies to all staff employed by our School, and to external organisations or individuals working on our behalf. Staff who do not comply with this policy may face disciplinary action or termination of contracts and exclusion from the site.

6.1 Proprietor

The proprietor has overall responsibility for ensuring that our School complies with all relevant data protection obligations.

6.2 School Chief Privacy Officer (CPO)

The Lead Chief Privacy Officer (CPO) for Harrodian and Merlin is responsible for overseeing the implementation of this policy, monitoring our compliance with data protection law, and developing related policies and guidelines where applicable. In the matter of data privacy, the CPO will report to the proprietor.

They will provide an annual report of their activities directly to the proprietor and, where relevant, provide advice and recommendations on School data protection issues.

The CPO is also the first point of contact for individuals whose data the school processes, and for the ICO. Full details of the CPO's responsibilities are set out in their job description.

Our CPO is Captain Rob Stewart, and is contactable via email gdpr@harrodian.com.

6.3 External Privacy Consultant

The School contract an external Data Privacy Consultant **Darren Rose DHR Consultancy**, to support the School in our obligations under the Privacy in Electronic Communications Regulations (PECR), General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) and Data Protection Act 2018 (DPA18), as well as to provide ongoing support including:

- responding to subject access requests
- managing data breach incidents
- assisting in supplier data protection due diligence

6.4 All staff

Staff are responsible for:

- Collecting, storing and processing any personal data in accordance with this policy.
- Informing the School of any changes to their personal data, such as a change of address.
- Contacting the CPO in the following circumstances:
 - With any questions about the operation of this policy, data protection law, retaining personal data or keeping personal data secure.
 - If they have any concerns that this policy is not being followed.
 - If they are unsure whether or not they have a lawful basis to use personal data in a particular way.
 - If they need to rely on or capture consent, draft a privacy notice, deal with data protection rights invoked by an individual, or transfer personal data

- outside the European Economic Area.
- If there has been a data breach.
- Whenever they are engaging in a new activity that may affect the privacy rights of individuals, including the provision of new systems, educational resources or ICT.
- If they need help with any contracts or sharing personal data with third parties.
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7 Data protection principles

The GDPR is based on data protection principles that our School must comply with. The principles say that personal data must be:

- Processed lawfully, fairly and in a transparent manner.
- Collected for specified, explicit and legitimate purposes.
- Adequate, relevant and limited to what is necessary to fulfil the purposes for which it is processed.
- Accurate and, where necessary, kept up to date.
- Kept for no longer than is necessary for the purposes for which it is processed.
- Processed in a way that ensures it is appropriately secure.

This policy sets out how the School aims to comply with these principles.

8 Collecting personal data

8.1 Lawfulness, fairness and transparency

We will only process personal data where we have one of 6 'lawful bases' (legal reasons) to do so under data protection law:

The data needs to be processed so that the School can **fulfil a contract** with the individual, or the individual has asked the School to take specific steps before entering into a contract.

The data needs to be processed so that the School can **comply with a legal obligation**.

The data needs to be processed to ensure the **vital interests** of the individual e.g. to protect someone's life.

The data needs to be processed so that the school can perform a task **in the public interest**

The data needs to be processed for the **legitimate interests** of the School or a third party (provided the individual's rights and freedoms are not overridden).

The individual (or their parent/carer when appropriate in the case of a pupil/student) has freely given clear **consent**.

If a child is 13 or over and of maturity, **consent** is obtained from the child, not the parent or guardian.

For special categories of personal data, we will also meet one of the special category

conditions for processing which are set out in the GDPR and Data Protection Act 2018.

If we offer online services to pupils/students, such as classroom apps or web services, and we intend to rely on consent as a basis for processing, we will get parental consent (except for online counselling and preventive services). Most classroom apps or web services will be processed via legitimate interests.

8.2 Limitation, minimisation and accuracy

We will only collect personal data for specified, explicit and legitimate reasons. We will explain these reasons to the individuals when we first collect their data.

If we want to use personal data for reasons other than those given when we first obtained it, we will inform the individuals concerned before we do so, and seek consent where necessary.

Staff must only process personal data where it is necessary in order to do their jobs.

When staff no longer need the personal data they hold, they must ensure it is deleted or anonymised. This will be done in accordance with the school's Retention Schedule.

9 Sharing personal data

We will not normally share personal data with anyone else, but may do so where:

- There is an issue with a pupil/student or parent/carer that puts the safety of our staff at risk.
- We need to liaise with other agencies – we will seek consent as necessary before doing this.

Our suppliers or contractors need data to enable us to provide services to our staff and pupils/students – for example, IT companies. When doing this, we will:

- Only appoint suppliers or contractors which can provide sufficient guarantees that they comply with data protection law.
- Establish a data sharing agreement with the supplier or contractor, either in the contract or as a standalone agreement, to ensure the fair and lawful processing of any personal data we share.
- Only share data that the supplier or contractor needs to carry out their service, and information necessary to keep them safe while working with us.

We will also share personal data with law enforcement and government bodies where we are legally required to do so, including for:

- The prevention or detection of crime and/or fraud.
- The apprehension or prosecution of offenders.
- The assessment or collection of tax owed to HMRC.
- In connection with legal proceedings.
- Where the disclosure is required to satisfy our safeguarding obligations.
- Research and statistical purposes, as long as personal data is sufficiently anonymised

or consent has been provided.

We may also share personal data with emergency services and local authorities to help them to respond to an emergency situation that affects any of our pupils/students or staff.

When we transfer personal data to a country or territory outside the European Economic Area, we will do so in accordance with data protection law.

10 Confirming the identification of individuals

All requests (including rights requests) will require the confirmation of identity of the requester.

10.1 An individual known to the School

In some cases, the School may disclose or amend personal data on request from an individual who is known to the School, such as a member of staff, ex member of staff etc or whose identity has been confirmed via other means i.e. payroll number etc.

10.2 Verbal request from an external agency

In cases of verbal requests made by a member of the police, HMRC or other local authority or government department, the requestor's identity will be confirmed by calling back the organisation, police station, HMRC office etc. on the publicly available number and asking for the requestor.

In certain time sensitive cases, such as in the vital interests of the data subject, the School may disclose personal data upon authorisation of the School chief privacy officer.

10.3 Standard request from a data subject

In cases of a standard request by a data subject, identity will be confirmed via two forms of identification from either:

Officially issued documentation

Valid passport, driving licence or Birth certificate

Or; utility bill such as:

Council Tax, Water or Landline telephone

Methods of identity confirmation will not exceed the level of personal data held by the organisation.

11 Subject access requests and other rights of individuals

11.1 Subject access requests

Individuals have a right to make a 'subject access request' to gain access to personal information that the school holds about them. This includes:

- Confirmation that their personal data is being processed.

- Access to a copy of the data.
- The purposes of the data processing.
- The categories of personal data concerned.
- Who the data has been, or will be, shared with.
- How long the data will be stored for, or if this isn't possible, the criteria used to determine this period.
- The source of the data, if not the individual.
- Whether any automated decision-making is being applied to their data, and what the significance and consequences of this might be for the individual.

Subject access requests can be accepted in any form including verbally or via social media however we will need to confirm identification prior to fulfilling the request. A request will be processed quicker if submitted in writing, either by letter or email and including:

- Name of individual.
- Correspondence address.
- Contact number and email address.
- Details of the information requested.

If staff receive a subject access request, they must immediately forward it to the CPO.

11.2 Children and subject access requests

Personal data about a child belongs to that child, and not the child's parents or carers. For a parent or carer to make a subject access request with respect to their child, the child must either be unable to understand their rights and the implications of a subject access request, or have given their consent.

Children below the age of 13 are generally not regarded to be mature enough to understand their rights and the implications of a subject access request. Therefore, most subject access requests from parents or carers of pupils under 13 years old may be granted without the express permission of the pupil. This is not a rule and a pupil's ability to understand their rights will always be judged on a case-by-case basis.

Children 13 years and over, if regarded as mature enough to understand their rights and the implications of a subject access request, will need to provide their consent to the School to disclose their information to a parent or guardian unless it is in the ultimate interest of the child.

11.3 Responding to subject access requests

When responding to requests, we:

- May ask the individual to provide 2 forms of identification.
- May contact the individual via phone to confirm the request was made.
- Will respond without delay and within 1 month of receipt of the request.
- Will provide the information free of charge unless it is determined to be unfounded or excessive.
- May tell the individual we will comply within 3 months of receipt of the request,

where a request is complex or numerous. We will inform the individual of this within 1 month, and explain why the extension is necessary.

We will not disclose information if it:

- Might cause serious harm to the physical or mental health of the pupil/student or another individual.
- Would reveal that the child is at risk of abuse or where the disclosure of that information would not be in the child's best interests.
- Is contained in adoption or parental order records.
- Is given to a court in proceedings concerning the child.

If the request is unfounded or excessive, we may refuse to act on it, or charge a reasonable fee which considers administrative costs.

A request will be deemed to be unfounded or excessive if it is repetitive or asks for further copies of the same information.

When we refuse a request, we will tell the individual why, and tell them they have the right to complain to the ICO.

11.4 Other data protection rights of the individual

In addition to the right to make a subject access request (see above), and to receive information when we are collecting their data about how we use and process it (see section 7), individuals also have the right to:

- Withdraw their consent to process, when given, at any time.
- Ask us to rectify, erase or restrict processing of their personal data, or object to the processing of it (in certain circumstances).
- Prevent use of their personal data for direct marketing.
- Challenge processing which has been justified on the basis of public interest.
- Request a copy of agreements under which their personal data is transferred outside of the European Economic Area.
- Object to decisions based solely on automated decision making or profiling (decisions taken with no human involvement, that might negatively affect them).
- Prevent processing that is likely to cause damage or distress.
- Be notified of a data breach in certain circumstances.
- Make a complaint to the ICO.
- Ask for their personal data to be transferred to a third party in a structured, commonly used and machine- readable format (in certain circumstances).

Individuals should submit any request to exercise these rights to the CPO on 020 8748 6117 option 3 or email gdpr@harrodian.com If staff receive such a request, they must immediately forward it to the CPO.

12 Photographs and videos

As part of our School activities, we may take photographs and record images of individuals within our School for certain purposes including:

12.1 Statutory and school purposes

As part of the School's safeguarding and health and safety legal obligations, photographs of staff may be taken and used for certain purposes such as:

- Within School on notice boards to inform staff, students, and parents of the School Headmaster, Heads of Section, Heads of Year, Safeguarding lead and SEND lead.
- Outside of School with external agencies such as Police, Local authority, or Department of Education for safeguarding purposes.
- Online on our School website to inform parents of the School Headmaster, Heads of Section, Heads of Year, Heads of Department, Safeguarding lead and SEND lead.

12.2 Marketing and promotional purposes

We will obtain clear and attributable consent from staff, visitors, or contractors prior to using any photographs or videos taken for marketing or promotional materials. We will clearly explain how the photograph and/or video will be used as well as how they can exercise their rights over the images once published.

Uses may include:

- School marketing e.g school marketing publications, school and sport website.
- Use within school newsletters.
- Use on school social media e.g Twitter and in local media, such as newspapers.

Consent can be refused or withdrawn at any time. If consent is withdrawn, we will delete the photograph or video and not distribute it further.

13 Social Media

Our School maintains a limited, controlled social media profile. Access is only the Communications department with the authorisation of the Chief Information Officer. A single point of creation, senior leadership oversight and image control simplifies management and allows us to uphold your rights.

Consent is obtained and documented from any individual prior to uploading to a School social media account and can be removed at any time via contact with Chloe Warren cwarren@harrodian.com.

Full details of procedures are available in the School *Online Policy*.

14 Staff applications

Job application forms are received either physically (posted or in person) or electronically (emailed to recruitment@harrodian.com). Applications are collected, securely shared for interviews, and stored as per the School data retention schedule.

The application form contains a prompt, in all areas containing, or could contain, sensitive personal data, to send the application securely, either via encrypted email or recorded mail.

14.1 Interviews

Staff applications are securely distributed prior to interviews and collected and securely destroyed following the interview process. Panellists' documents are redacted of any personal information and hand their copies of the interview documents back to HR after the interview to be destroyed.

14.2 Unsuccessful candidates

Application forms from unsuccessful candidates are stored securely with HR for a period of 6 months and then securely destroyed.

The School may wish to retain the application form of certain applicants for possible future positions, in this case the School will request consent from the applicant which can be withdrawn at any time. In the event of a position becoming available the School will contact the applicant and confirm if they wish to be entered as an applicant for the newly available position.

To withdraw consent for stored applications please contact HR on 020 8748 6117 or email recruitment@harrodian.com.

15 Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) Checks

Prior to any staff member, volunteer, contractor, or peri service provider starting onsite at the School, a DBS check will be performed. A risk assessment process is in place for situations where the person might start duties before the DBS check information arrives, which include mitigation measures.

Proof of identity and address will be requested and submitted to the DBS provider. All documents provided will be processed and stored securely with HR for the duration of the employment plus six years or the duration of the business relationship.

16 Employment references

Where a staff member, an ex-employee or volunteer requires a professional reference or other situations where work history is needed to be proven, the individual staff member will be required to provide prior written notice of the enquiry along with written consent, to provide the information to the enquiring party.

16.1 Confidential references

Confirmation may be sought from the requesting party on their use of the confidential reference exemption under the Data Protection Act 2018. If the requesting party confirms their intention NOT to use the exemption then the School reserves the right to refuse the reference request if the School determines that fulfilling the request may lead to the detriment of the School.

17 CCTV

There are several closed loop CCTV systems situated around the School (locations omitted for security reasons).

The School follows the Information Commissioner's Office guidance on CCTV and therefore has a CCTV policy to ensure the security of the captured video, documented controls on its access and retention as well as clearly presented signage informing individuals of its presence and contact details should they wish to exercise their rights.

Access to video recordings can be requested at any time via contact with CPO on 020 8748 6117 option 3 or email gdpr@harrodian.com.

The School reserves the right to refuse access to any video clips containing the image(s) of any other person other than the requestor or any circumstance which may be detrimental to the School's position i.e. involvement in a civil claim.

Full details of procedures are available in the School *CCTV Policy*.

18 Peri Services

All Peri service providers used by the School will have completed a supplier due diligence review and provided evidence of their appropriate technical and organisational measures employed prior to the School sharing any personal data.

All Peri service providers, as Data Processors, have signed a Confidentiality and Data Security Agreement for Suppliers contract containing confirmation of their legal obligations as a Data Processor.

As the relationship between the School and the Peri service provider is not a Joint Controller relationship, each will individually fulfil the rights of the data subject upon request.

19 Invigilators

All Invigilators used by the School will be required to undertake An Introduction to Data Protection training module, read the policy and sign a Confidentiality and Security Agreement.

20 Visitors

All visitors to the School will report to the main school office and sign into the visitor book by providing:

- their name
- company name
- who they are visiting – visitors will only be accepted with prior approval from a member of staff

The individual will then either be collected, or escorted, to the relevant area and always supervised to control access to any personal data which may be on display within the school such as medical alert sheets etc.

21 Data protection by design and default

We will put measures in place to show that we have integrated data protection into all of our data processing activities, including:

- Appointing a suitably trained and qualified CPO, and ensuring they have the necessary resources to fulfil their duties.
- Only processing personal data that is necessary for each specific purpose of processing, and always in line with the data protection principles set out in relevant data protection law.
- Completing privacy impact assessments where the School's processing of personal data presents a high risk to rights and freedoms of individuals, and when introducing new technologies.
- Integrating data protection into internal documents including this policy, any related policies and privacy notices.
- Regularly training members of staff on data protection law, this policy, any related policies and any other data protection matters; we will also keep a record of attendance.
- Regularly conducting reviews and audits to test our privacy measures and make sure we are compliant.
- Maintaining records of our processing activities, including:
 - For the benefit of data subjects, making available the name and contact details of our School and CPO and all information we are required to share about how we use and process their personal data (via our privacy notices).
 - For all personal data that we hold, maintaining an internal record of the type of data, data subject, how and why we are using the data, any third-party recipients, how and why we are storing the data, retention periods and how we are keeping the data secure.

22 Data security and storage of records

We will protect personal data and keep it safe from unauthorised or unlawful access, alteration, processing or disclosure, and against accidental or unlawful loss, destruction or damage.

In particular:

- Paper-based records and portable electronic devices, such as laptops and hard drives that contain personal data are kept under lock and key when not in use.
- Paper archived records are stored securely within the School and regularly checked against the School data retention schedule.
- Papers containing confidential personal data must not be left on office and classroom desks, on staffroom tables, pinned to notice/display boards, or left anywhere else where there is general access.
- Where personal information needs to be physically taken off site, staff must sign it in and out from the School office.
- Passwords that are at least 8 characters long containing letters and numbers are used to access School computers, laptops and other electronic devices. Staff and pupils/students are reminded to change their passwords at regular intervals.
- Encryption software or two step authentication is used to protect all portable devices and removable media, such as laptops and USB devices.
- Staff who process and view personal information on their personal devices are expected to follow the same security procedures as for school-owned equipment (see our Bring your own device (BYOD) policy for more information).
- No personal data is to be retained on personal ICT equipment. If transferred to a personal device, then once processing is completed, any local copy is securely deleted. If cloud-based storage is used as the prime storage for personal data then, as per the latest ICO guidance, the School will not include a search of personal ICT equipment within any Subject Access Request.
- Where we need to share personal data with a third party, we carry out due diligence and take reasonable steps to ensure it is stored securely and adequately protected.

Further details of the School data storage procedures can be seen in the *School Retention Period Policy*.

23 Disposal of records

Personal data that is no longer needed will be disposed of securely. Personal data that has become inaccurate or out of date will also be disposed of securely, where we cannot or do not need to rectify or update it.

For example, we will shred or incinerate paper-based records, and overwrite or delete electronic files. We may also use a third party to safely dispose of records on the School's behalf. If we do so, we will require the third party to provide sufficient guarantees that it complies with data protection law.

Further details of the School data retention and storage procedures can be seen in the *School Data Retention and Destruction Policy*.

24 Personal data breaches

The School will make all reasonable endeavours to ensure that there are no personal data breaches. In the unlikely event of a suspected data breach, we will follow the procedure set out in appendix 1.

When appropriate, we will report the data breach to the ICO within 72 hours. Such breaches in a School context may include, but are not limited to:

- Safeguarding information being made available to an unauthorised person.
- The theft of a School laptop containing non-encrypted personal data about pupils/students.
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25 Training

25.1 All staff

All staff are provided with data protection training on a regular basis, including training as part of their induction process, as applicable:

- GDPR Awareness briefing
- GDPR Sentry - Introduction to Data protection
- GDPR Sentry – Data protection for Administrators
- GDPR Sentry – Data protection for Teaching staff
- GDPR Sentry – Data protection for Senior Leaders

25.2 School CPO

The School CPO completed a **Certified GDPR Practitioner Training Course** to enable them to understand the School legal obligations, under the data protection laws, as well as learn the skills and obtain the experience to sufficiently manage and support data protection aspects within the School.

25.3 Senior Leaders, Heads of Year and Heads of Department

Senior members of staff are to complete more detailed GDPR training than the other staff to enable them to sufficiently identify and mitigate risks within their department as well as provide peer support to their team. Data protection also forms part of their continuing professional development, where changes to legislation, guidance or the school's processes make it necessary.

26 Monitoring arrangements

The School Chief Privacy Officer is responsible for monitoring and reviewing this policy.

This policy will be reviewed and updated, if necessary, as changes are made to the data protection laws that affect our School's practice. Otherwise, or from then on, this policy will be reviewed **every 2 years**.

27 Links with other policies

This data privacy policy is linked to our:

- CCTV Policy
- Data Retention Policy
- Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Policy (in draft)
- Subject Access Policy (in draft)
- Mobile Phone and Social Networking Policy (in draft)

Approved by:	Senior Leadership Team
Last reviewed:	March 2025

Appendix 1: Personal data breach procedure

This procedure is based on [guidance on personal data breaches](#) produced by the ICO.

On finding or causing a breach, or potential breach, the staff member or data processor must immediately notify the CPO. The CPO will investigate the report, and determine whether a breach has occurred. To decide, the CPO will consider whether personal data has been accidentally or unlawfully:

- Lost
- Stolen
- Destroyed
- Altered
- Disclosed or made available where it should not have been
- Made available to unauthorised people
- The CPO will alert the headteacher and the proprietor
- The CPO will make all reasonable efforts to contain and minimise the impact of the breach, assisted by relevant staff members or data processors where necessary. (Actions relevant to specific data types are set out at the end of this procedure)
- The CPO will assess the potential consequences, based on how serious they are, and how likely they are to happen

The CPO will work out whether the breach must be reported to the ICO. This must be judged on a case-by- case basis. To decide, the CPO will consider whether the breach is likely to negatively affect people's rights and freedoms, and cause them any physical, material or non- material damage (e.g. emotional distress), including through:

- Loss of control over their data
- Discrimination
- Identify theft or fraud
- Financial loss
- Unauthorised reversal of pseudonymisation (for example, key-coding)
- Damage to reputation
- Loss of confidentiality
- Any other significant economic or social disadvantage to the individual(s) concerned

If it's likely that there will be a risk to people's rights and freedoms, the CPO must notify the ICO.

The CPO will document the decision (either way), in case it is challenged at a later date by the ICO or an individual affected by the breach. Documented decisions are stored in the school's GDPR Sentry System, accessible through the Seniors Office.

Where the ICO must be notified, the CPO will do this via the ['report a breach' page of the ICO website](#) within 72 hours. As required, the CPO will set out:

- A description of the nature of the personal data breach including, where possible:
- The categories and approximate number of individuals concerned

- The categories and approximate number of personal data records concerned
- The name and contact details of the CPO
- A description of the likely consequences of the personal data breach
- A description of the measures that have been, or will be taken, to deal with the breach and mitigate any possible adverse effects on the individual(s) concerned

If all the above details are not yet known, the CPO will report as much as they can within 72 hours. The report will explain that there is a delay, the reasons why, and when the CPO expects to have further information. The CPO will submit the remaining information as soon as possible

The CPO will also assess the risk to individuals, again based on the severity and likelihood of potential or actual impact. If the risk is high, the CPO will promptly inform, in writing, all individuals whose personal data has been breached. This notification will set out:

- The name and contact details of the CPO
- A description of the likely consequences of the personal data breach
- A description of the measures that have been, or will be, taken to deal with the data breach and mitigate any possible adverse effects on the individual(s) concerned

The CPO will notify any relevant third parties who can help mitigate the loss to individuals – for example, the police, insurers, banks or credit card companies

The CPO will document each breach, irrespective of whether it is reported to the ICO. For each breach, this record will include the:

- Facts and cause
- Effects
- Action taken to contain it and ensure it does not happen again (such as establishing more robust processes or providing further training for individuals)

Records of all breaches will be stored on the GDPR Sentry System.

The CPO, Proprietor and Headmaster will review what happened and how it can be stopped from happening again. This meeting will happen as soon as reasonably possible.

Actions to minimise the impact of data breaches

We will take the actions set out below to mitigate the impact of different types of data breach, focusing especially on breaches involving particularly risky or sensitive information. We will review the effectiveness of these actions and amend them as necessary after any data breach.

- Sensitive information being disclosed via email (including safeguarding records)
- If special category data (sensitive information) is accidentally made available via email to unauthorised individuals, the sender must attempt to recall the email as soon as they become aware of the error
- Members of staff who receive personal data sent in error must alert the sender and the CPO as soon as they become aware of the error
- If the sender is unavailable or cannot recall the email for any reason, the CPO will ask

the ICT department to recall it

- In any cases where the recall is unsuccessful, the CPO will contact the relevant unauthorised individuals who received the email, explain that the information was sent in error, and request that those individuals delete the information and do not share, publish, save or replicate it in any way
- The CPO will ensure we receive a written response from all the individuals who received the data, confirming that they have complied with this request
- The CPO will carry out an internet search to check that the information has not been made public; if it has, we will contact the publisher/website owner or administrator to request that the information is removed from their website and deleted

Appendix 2: Staff Responsibilities

All staff and volunteers at our school have a responsibility to ensure data is protected. We will create a data safe environment by doing the following:

- Lock all computers when leaving the screen
- Following all School policies regarding photographs, mobile phones and social networking
- Only taking electronic information off-site where it is encrypted or under two factor authentications
- Ensuring all School electronic devices have a secure password
- Not sending sensitive information via email – members of staff will use encrypted email or password protected documentation if required
- Ensuring all bulk emails are sent using BCC to avoid sharing contact details
- Ensuring the School's internet filtering is used
- Ensuring any personal information is not freely available e.g. on display
- Ensuring any sensitive information is in a locked cupboard
- Ensuring we do not discuss sensitive information with people who do not need to know
- Signing any physical copies of information, we take off site on the register in the School office, and signing it back in.
- Dispose of any redundant data securely
- Ensure all data we own is up to date and accurate
- Reporting any data breaches to the Chief Privacy Officer immediately
- Completing the data breach documentation as soon as possible afterwards
- Teach children about data protection and how to keep their data safe.

