



Thorpe Acre Infant School

Privacy Notice: School Workforce

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Reaching High, Learning and Growing Together

Safeguarding Statement

At Thorpe Acre Infant School we respect and value all children and are committed to providing a caring, friendly and safe environment for all our pupils so they can learn, in a relaxed and secure atmosphere. We believe every pupil should be able to participate in all school activities in an enjoyable and safe environment and be protected from harm. This is the responsibility of every adult employed by, or invited to deliver services at Thorpe Acre Infant School. We recognise our responsibility to safeguard all who access school and promote the welfare of all our pupils by protecting them from physical, sexual and emotional abuse, neglect and bullying.

GDPR Statement

The school has arrangements in place to ensure that all personal data records held by the school are obtained, processed, used and retained in accordance with the principles of data protection (based on the Data Protection Acts).

Equality Impact Statement

We have carefully considered and analysed the impact of this policy on equality and the possible implications for pupils with protected characteristics, as part of our commitment to meet the Public Sector Equality Duty (PSED) requirement to have due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations.

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This privacy notice explains how we collect, process and manage information for the school workforce. That includes employed members of staff, volunteers, including trustees and governors, trainee teachers, apprentices and work experience/workplace placements.

1. The categories of school workforce information that we collect, process, hold and share include:

- personal information (such as name, employee or teacher number, national insurance number)
- special categories of data including characteristics information such as gender, age, ethnic group
- contract information (such as start dates, hours worked, post, roles and salary information)
- work absence information (such as number of absences and reasons)
- qualifications (and, where relevant, subjects taught)
- medical information
- other personal information
- references

2. We use and share information to comply with statutory, regulatory, practice and contractual obligations. These may include, but are not limited to:-

- improving the management of workforce data across the sector
- enabling development of a comprehensive picture of the workforce and how it is deployed
- pay salaries and pension contributions
- informing the development of recruitment and retention policies
- allowing better financial modelling and planning
- enabling ethnicity and disability monitoring
- supporting the work of the School Teachers' Review Body
- complying with guidance such as 'Working Together' and safeguarding obligations
- complying with Appendix 3 of the Child Protection & Safeguarding Policy regarding low-level concerns
- facilitating good governance
- internal reviews and quality monitoring
- CPD and staffing issues

If we are required to comply with other legal obligations not listed above we will share data only when it is lawful to do so.

3. The lawful basis on which we collect and process this information

We must make sure that information we collect and use about pupils is in line with the UK GDPR and Data Protection Act. This means that we must have a lawful reason to collect the data, and that if we share that with another organisation or individual we must have a legal basis to do so.

The lawful basis for schools to collecting and processing information comes from a variety of sources, such as Article 6 and Article 9 of the UK GDPR, the Safeguarding

of Vulnerable Groups Act 2006. We also have obligations to organisations such as HMRC and the Department of Work and Pensions.

4. Collecting this information

Whilst the majority of information you provide to us is mandatory, some of it is provided to us on a voluntary basis. In order to comply with data protection legislation, we will inform you whether you are required to provide certain school workforce information to us or if you have a choice in this.

5. Storing this information

We hold school workforce data in accordance with our HR and Retention Policy.

6. Who we share this information with

We may share this information with organisations such as:

- our local authority
- the Department for Education (DfE)
- Payroll services
- Legal Advisers
- Insurance providers
- HMRC
- Teacher Pension Scheme and the Local Government Pension Scheme (and other pension providers)
- Health professionals

7. Why we share school workforce information

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

8. Local authority

We are required to share information about our workforce members with our local authority (LA) under section 5 of the Education (Supply of Information about the School Workforce) (England) Regulations 2007 and amendments.

9. Department for Education (DfE)

We share personal data with the Department for Education (DfE) on a statutory basis. This data sharing underpins workforce policy monitoring, evaluation, and links to school funding / expenditure and the assessment of educational attainment.

10. Data collection requirements

The DfE collects and processes personal data relating to those employed by schools (including Multi Academy Trusts) and local authorities that work in state funded schools (including all maintained schools, all academies and free schools and all special schools including Pupil Referral Units and Alternative Provision). All state funded schools are required to make a census submission because it is a statutory return under sections 113 and 114 of the Education Act 2005

To find out more about the data collection requirements placed on us by the Department for Education including the data that we share with them, go to <https://www.gov.uk/education/data-collection-and-censuses-for-schools>.

The department may share information about school employees with third parties who promote the education or well-being of children or the effective deployment of school staff in England by:

- conducting research or analysis
- producing statistics
- providing information, advice or guidance.

The department has robust processes in place to ensure that the confidentiality of personal data is maintained and there are stringent controls in place regarding access to it and its use. Decisions on whether DfE releases personal data to third parties are subject to a strict approval process and based on a detailed assessment of:

- who is requesting the data
- the purpose for which it is required
- the level and sensitivity of data requested; and
- the arrangements in place to securely store and handle the data.

To be granted access to school workforce information, organisations must comply with its strict terms and conditions covering the confidentiality and handling of the data, security arrangements and retention and use of the data.

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

To contact the department: <https://www.gov.uk/contact-dfe>

11. Requesting access to your personal data

Under data protection legislation, you have the right to request access to information about you that we hold. To make a request for your personal information, contact:

Role	Name	Email
Administrator	Ms Jo Beaumont	jbeaumont@tais.leics.sch.uk
Data Protection Lead/Compliance Officer	Mrs Jo Pullen	jpullen@tais.leics.sch.uk
Data Protection Officer (DPO)	Mr John Walker	john@jawalker.co.uk

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
- claim compensation for damages caused by a breach of the Data Protection regulations.

More details about how we use and manage data can be found in the 'Data Processing Notices – Common Principles and Processes', the Data Protection Policy and other relevant policies for the School Workforce on the website.