



Whimble Primary School – Visitor Privacy Notice

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1. Introduction

Under UK data protection law, individuals have a right to be informed about how our school uses any personal data that we hold about them. We comply with this right by providing 'privacy notices' (sometimes called 'fair processing notices') to individuals where we are processing their personal data.

This privacy notice explains how we collect, store and use personal data about **visitors to the school**.

We, Whimble Primary School, School Hill, Whimble, EX5 2TS, are the 'data controller' for the purposes of UK data protection law.

Our data protection officer is Mrs Helen Mitchell (see 'Contact us' below).

2. The personal data we hold

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

- Name
- Contact details
- Information relating to the visit, e.g. company or organisation name, arrival and departure time, car number plate

We may also collect, use, store and share (when appropriate) information about you that falls into "special categories" of more sensitive personal data. This includes, but is not restricted to:

- Information about any access arrangements that may be required
- Photographs for identification purposes

We may also hold data about you that we have received from other organisations, including other schools and social services.

3. Why we use this data

We use the data listed above to:

- a) Identify you and keep you safe while on the school site
- b) Keep pupils and staff safe
- c) Maintain accurate records of visits to the school
- d) Provide appropriate access arrangements

3.1 Use of your personal data in automated decision making and profiling

We do not currently process any personal data through automated decision making or profiling. If this changes in the future, we will amend any relevant privacy notices in order to explain the processing to you, including your right to object to it.

4. Our lawful basis for using this data

We only collect and use your personal data when the law allows us to, and following the UK General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) 2018. Most commonly, we process it where we need to comply with our legal obligation to keep our students and staff safe while on the school premises.

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

- We need it to perform an official task in the public interest
- We have obtained consent to use it in a certain way
- We need to protect someone's vital interests (save your life, or someone else's)

Where we have obtained consent, this consent can be withdrawn at any time. We will make this clear when we ask for consent, and explain how to withdraw it.

Some of the reasons listed above for collecting and using personal information about you overlap, and there may be several grounds which justify our use of your data.

5. Collecting this data

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

Whenever we seek to collect information from you, we make it clear whether you must provide this information (and if so, what the possible consequences are of not complying), or whether you have a choice.

Most of the data we hold about you will come from you, but we may also hold data about you from:

- Local authorities
- Government departments or agencies
- Police forces, courts, tribunals

6. How we store this data

We keep personal information about you while you are visiting our school. We may also keep it beyond your visit with our school if this is necessary. Our record retention schedule sets out how long we keep information about visitors.

You can request a copy of our record retention schedule from our data protection officer whose contact details are at the end of this document.

We have put in place appropriate security measures to prevent your personal information from being accidentally lost, used or accessed in an unauthorised way, altered or disclosed.

We will dispose of your personal data securely when we no longer need it.

7. Who we share data with

We do not share information about you 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 UK data protection law), we may share personal information about you with:

- Our local authority, Devon County Council – to meet our legal obligations to share certain information with it, such as safeguarding concerns
- The Department of Education
- Educators and examining bodies
- Ofsted
- 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
- The organisation/company you are representing

8. Your rights

8.1 How to access personal information that we hold about you

You have a right to make a 'subject access request' to gain access to personal information that we hold about you.

If you make a subject access request, and if we do hold information about you, we will (subject to any exemptions that may apply):

- Give you a description of it
- Tell you why we are holding and processing it, and how long we will keep it for
- Explain where we got it from, if not from you
- Tell you who it has been, or will be, shared with
- Let you know whether any automated decision-making is being applied to the data, and any consequences of this
- Give you a copy of the information in an intelligible form

You may also have the right for your personal information to be transmitted electronically to another organisation in certain circumstances.

If you would like to make a request, please contact us (see 'Contact us' below).

8.2 Your other rights regarding your data

Under UK data protection law, you have certain rights regarding how your personal data is used and kept safe. For example, you have the right to:

- Object to our use of your personal data
- Prevent your data being used to send direct marketing
- Object to and challenge the use of your personal data for decisions being taken by automated means (by a computer or machine, rather than by a person)
- In certain circumstances, have inaccurate personal data corrected
- In certain circumstances, have the personal data we hold about you deleted or destroyed, or restrict its processing
- Withdraw your consent, where you previously provided it for the collection, processing and transfer of your personal data for a specific purpose
- In certain circumstances, be notified of a data breach
- Make a complaint to the Information Commissioner's Office
- Claim compensation for damages caused by a breach of the data protection regulations

To exercise any of these rights, please contact us (see 'Contact us' below).

9. Complaints

We take any complaints about our collection and use of personal information very seriously.

If you think that our collection or use of personal information is unfair, misleading or inappropriate, or have any other concern about our data processing, please raise this with us in the first instance.

Alternatively, you can make a complaint to the Information Commissioner's Office:

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

10. 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**:

- Helen Mitchell – hmitchell@whimbleprimary.co.uk 01404 822584