



GRANGE INFANT SCHOOL **PRIVACY NOTICE PARENTS/CARERS/PUPILS**

Privacy Notice (How we use personal information)

Grange Infant School is the 'Data Controller' for the use of personal data in this privacy notice.

Why do we collect and use personal information?

We collect and use personal information to:

- Support pupil learning
- Monitor and report on pupil attainment progress
- Provide appropriate pastoral care
- Protect pupil welfare
- Assess the quality of our services
- Administer admissions waiting lists
- Carry out research
- Statistical forecasting and planning
- Assess the quality of our services and how well our school is doing
- Keep children safe (food allergies or emergency contact details): and
- Meet statutory duties placed upon us by the Department for Education (DfE) data collections

Department for Education (DfE)

We are required to share information about our pupils with the DfE either directly or via our LA for the purpose of those data collections.

The categories of personal information that we collect, hold and share include:

- Personal identifiers and contact details (such as name, address and unique pupil number)
- Characteristics (such as ethnicity, language and free school meal eligibility)
- Attendance information (such as sessions attended, number of absences, absence reasons and any previous schools' attendance)
- Assessment and attainment (such as phonics results)
- Special educational needs (including the needs and ranking)
- Medical and administration (such as doctors' information, child health, dental health, allergies, medication and dietary requirements)
- Behavioural information (such as exclusions and any relevant alternative provision put in place)
- Safeguarding information (such as court orders and professional involvement)

We may also hold data about your child that we have received from other organisations, including other schools, LAs and the DfE.

Legal Basis for Processing

Under the UK GDPR, the lawful bases we rely on for processing pupil information are:

- with consent of the data subject,
- where we are complying with a legal requirement,
- where processing is necessary to protect the vital interests of a data subject or another person and
- where 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.

When the personal data consists of special category data we may rely on processing being in the substantial public interest in addition to consent of the data subject and the vital interests of the data subject or another.

When we process personal information for the purposes of complying with a legal requirement the relevant legislation includes the Education Act 1996, 2002 and 2011, The Childrens Act 1989 and 2004, Education and Skills Act 2008, Schools Standards and Framework Act 1998 and the Equalities Act 2010.

We also share pupils' data with the Department for Education (DfE) on a statutory basis either directly or via our local authority. This data sharing underpins school funding and educational attainment policy and monitoring.

Where you have provided us with consent to use your child's Personal data, you may withdraw this consent at any time. We will make this clear when requesting your consent, and explain how you withdraw the consent if you wish to do so.

We are required to share information about our pupils with our LA or the DfE under regulation 3 of The Education (Information About Individual Pupils) (England) Regulations 2013.

Collecting personal information

We collect pupil information via the school admission booklet completed by the parent/carer, paper questionnaires, on line electronic forms, Common Transfer File (CTF) or secure file transfer from previous school/s.

Pupil data is essential for the schools' operational use. Whilst the majority of personal information you provide to us is mandatory, some of it is provided to us 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 personal information to us or if you have a choice in this.

Storing personal data

We keep Personal data about your child while they are attending our school in accordance with Hampshire County Council (HCC) retention schedule policy. We may also keep it beyond their attendance if this is necessary in order to comply with our legal obligations.

Who do we share pupil information with?

We routinely share pupil information with:

- Our local authority
- The DfE
- The pupil's family and representatives
- Educators and examining bodies
- Our regulator, e.g., Ofsted
- Suppliers and service providers – to enable them to provide the service we have contracted them for, e.g., Tapestry for our EYFS, ClassDojo, Mathletics and Arbor
- Our auditors
- Health and social welfare organisations
- Professional advisers and consultants
- Police forces, courts, tribunals
- Professional bodies, e.g. Speech and Language, Behaviour Support,
- Schools that the pupils attend after leaving us
- School nurse, NHS
- After school clubs
- Schools that the pupils attend after leaving us

Why we share pupil information

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

The National Pupil Database (NPD)

The NPD is owned and managed by the DfE 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.

We are required by law, to provide information about pupils to the DfE as part of statutory data collections such as the school census and early years' census. Some of this information is then stored in the NPD. The law that allows this is the Education (Information About Individual Pupils) (England) Regulations 2013.

To find out more about the pupil information we share with the department, for the purpose of data collections, go to <https://www.gov.uk/education/data-collection-and-censuses-for-schools>.

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

The Department may 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:

<https://www.gov.uk/data-protection-how-we-collect-and-share-research-data>

Organisations fighting or identifying crime may use their legal powers to contact DfE to request access to individual level information relevant to detecting that crime. Whilst numbers fluctuate slightly over time, 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: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/dfe-external-data-shares>

Requesting access to your personal data

Under the GDPR, 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, contact Our Data Protection Officer (DPO) is the School Business Manager and is available to contact at adminoffice@grange-inf.hants.sch.uk

You also have the right, subject to some limitations 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 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

<https://ico.org.uk/concerns/>

Contact:

If you would like to discuss anything in this privacy notice, please contact:

- The Headteacher or the school's DPO, the School Business Manager.

Sharing by the Department for Education (DfE)

DfE will only share pupils' personal data where it is lawful, secure and ethical to do so. Where these conditions are met, the law allows the DfE to share pupils' Personal data with certain third parties, including:

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How to find out what personal information the DfE holds about you

Under the terms of the UK GDPR, you are entitled to ask the DfE:

- if they are processing your personal data
- for a description of the data they hold about you
- the reasons they're holding it and any recipient it may be disclosed to
- for a copy of your personal data and any details of its source

If you want to see the personal data held about you by the DfE, you should make a SAR. Further information on how to do this can be found within the DfE personal information charter that is published at the address below:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-education/about/personal-information-charter>; or

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/requesting-your-personal-information/requesting-your-personal-information#your-rights>

To contact the DfE: <https://www.gov.uk/contact-dfe> **Changes to this privacy notice**

This notice is based on the Hampshire Services School Legal Support Team model privacy notice, V20112024. We reserve the right to update this privacy notice at any time, and we will provide you will a new privacy notice when we make any substantial updates.

Review: This policy will be reviewed annually.

Agreed: This policy was agreed and ratified at the Governing Board meeting held 19th November 2025

Next review: December 2026

Signed
Headteacher



Signed
Chair of Governors

