

Privacy notice for the school workforce

Under data protection law, individuals have a right to be informed about how the 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 individuals we employ, or otherwise engage, to work at our school.

We, Holy Cross Catholic Primary School are the 'data controller' for the purposes of data protection law.

Privacy notice – how school workforce information is used

What categories of information are processed?

The categories of personal information that we process include the following:

- Personal information – e.g. name, employee or teacher number, National Insurance number, and contact details
- Characteristics information – e.g. gender, age and ethnicity
- Contract information – e.g. start date, hours worked, post, roles and salary information
- Work absence information – e.g. number of absences and reasons for absence
- Qualifications and, where relevant, the subjects taught

- Emergency contact information
- Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS)
- Performance information
- Outcomes of any disciplinary and/or grievance procedures
- Medical information

Why do we collect and use your information?

We collect and use your information for the following reasons:

- enable the development of a comprehensive picture of the workforce and how it is deployed
- inform the development of recruitment and retention policies
- enable individuals to be paid
- contact information for emergency purposes
- Disclosure and Barring Service for Safeguarding purposes
- Support effective performance management

- Facilitate safe recruitment, as part of our safeguarding obligations towards pupils

Under the UK General Data Protection Regulation (UK GDPR), the legal basis/bases we rely on for processing personal information for general purposes are:

- 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;
- For the purpose of **purpose** in accordance with the legal basis of **legal basis**

For special category data, we also rely on the following conditions under Article 9 of the UK GDPR:

- Those rules shall include suitable and specific measures to safeguard the data subject's human dignity, legitimate interests and fundamental rights, with particular regard to the transparency of processing, the transfer of personal data within a group of undertakings, or a group of enterprises engaged in a joint economic activity and monitoring systems at the work place.

How do we collect your information?

We collect your personal information via the following methods:

- Staff starter forms
- Staff contracts
- Staff payroll information

Workforce data is essential for the school's operational use. Whilst most information you provide to us is mandatory, some of it is requested on a voluntary basis. To comply with the UK GDPR, we will inform you at the point of collection whether you are required to provide certain information to us or if you have a choice.

How do we store your information?

We create and maintain an employment file for each staff member. The information contained in this file is kept secure and is only used for purposes directly relevant to your employment.

Once your employment with us has ended, we will retain this file and delete the information in it in accordance with our retention policy.

Who do we share your information with?

We routinely share your information with:

- The LA, where applicable
- The DfE
- The Teachers' Pensions Scheme, or LA Pension Fund

Why do we share your information?

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 educational attainment.

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

Sharing with the LA

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

Sharing with the DfE

The DfE collects personal data from educational settings and LAs via various statutory data collections.

We are required to share information about you with the DfE under for the purpose of these data collections, under:

We are required to share information about our school employees with the DfE section 5 of the Education (Supply of Information about the School Workforce) (England) Regulations 2007 and amendments.

All information we share with the DfE is transferred securely and held by the DfE under a combination of software and hardware controls which meet the current government security policy framework, which can be found by following the link below:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/security-policy-framework>

How does the government use your data?

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

- Informs the DfE's policy on pay and the monitoring of the effectiveness and diversity of the school workforce.
- Links to school funding and expenditure.
- Supports longer term research and monitoring of educational policy.

You can find more information about the data collection requirements placed on us by the DfE by following this link: <https://www.gov.uk/education/data-collection-and-censuses-for-schools>.

The DfE may share your information with third parties who promote the education or wellbeing of children or the effective deployment of school staff in England by:

- Conducting research or analysis.
- Producing statistics.
- Providing information, advice or guidance.

The DfE 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 and use of the information. The DfE makes decisions on whether they will share personal information with third parties based on an approval process, where the following areas are considered in detail:

- Who is requesting the information.
- The purpose for which the information is required.
- The level and sensitivity of the information requested.
- The arrangements in place to securely store and handle the information.

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

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

Under the Data Protection Act 2018, you are entitled to ask the DfE what personal information it holds about you. You have the right to ask the DfE:

- If it processes your personal data.
- For a description of the data it holds about you.
- The reasons it is holding your data and any recipient it may be disclosed to.
- For a copy of your personal data and any details of its source.

To exercise these rights, you should make a subject access request. Information on how to do this can be found by following this link:

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

You can also contact the DfE directly using its online contact form by following this link: <https://www.gov.uk/contact-dfe>.

Pension funds

We share data with the pension funds, (either the Teachers' Pension Scheme, or the LA Pension Fund), to allow accurate records to be kept of your pension entitlement.

This information is necessary to ensure they hold the correct data for the administration of the scheme as outlined in the scheme regulations, which can be found in the Teachers' Pension

Scheme Regulations (<https://www.teacherspensions.co.uk/public/legal.aspx>) or in the LGPS Pension Regulations (<https://www.lgpsregs.org/>).

What are your rights?

You have specific rights to the processing of your data; these are the right to:

- Request access to the information the school holds about you.
- Restrict our processing of your personal data, i.e. permitting its storage but no further processing.
- Object to direct marketing (including profiling) and processing for the purposes of scientific and/or historical research and statistics.
- Have your personal data rectified if it is inaccurate or incomplete.
- Not be subject to decisions based purely on automated processing where it produces a legal or similarly significant effect on you.
- Request the deletion or removal of personal data where there is no compelling reason for the continued processing.

If you want to request access to the personal information we hold about you, please contact Mike Jones on 0151 351 1651

If you are concerned about the way we are collecting or using your information, please raise your concern with the school's **DPO** in the first instance. You can also contact the ICO at <https://ico.org.uk/concerns>.

How to withdraw consent and lodge complaints

Where our school processes your personal data with your consent, you have the right to withdraw your consent at any time.

If you change your mind or are unhappy with how our school uses your personal data, you should let us know by contacting Marie Calderwood (School Business Manager)

Updating this privacy notice

We may need to update this privacy notice periodically if we change how we collect and process data. The school will inform you when this privacy notice has changed; however, we also recommend that you revisit this privacy notice periodically.

This privacy notice was last updated on 13/12/2022

How can you find out more information?

[Use this section to detail where employees can access more information about the content of the privacy notice.]

If you would like to discuss anything in this privacy notice, please contact **Marie Calderwood (school business manager)**

If you require further information about how we and/or the DfE store and use your personal data, please visit our website, [**www.holycrossliverpool.co.uk**](http://www.holycrossliverpool.co.uk), the Gov.UK website (<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/data-protection-how-we-collect-and-share-research-data>)

Declaration

I, **name of staff member**, declare that I understand:

- The categories of my personal information **name of school** collects and uses.
- The school has a lawful basis for collecting and using my personal information.
- The school shares my information with the DfE, LA and other stated organisations.
- The school does not share information about me with anyone without my consent, unless the law and our policies allow the school to do so.
- My information is retained in line with the school's **Records Management Policy**.
- My rights to the processing of my personal information.

Name of staff member:

Signature of staff member:

Date:

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