



Privacy Notice for Parents and Pupils

How we use your information - 2025/26

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. Full tables showing lawful bases and data sharing appear in the accompanying Parents and Pupils Privacy Tables – reviewed Nov 2025.

Astley C.E. Primary School is the 'data controller' for the purposes of data protection law. This means we are responsible for how your personal information is processed and for what purposes.

Astley C.E. Primary School is registered as the Data Controller with the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO); Registration Number: Z6453791

You can contact the school as the Data Controller in writing at:

Astley C.E. Primary School

School Lane

Astley

Worcestershire

DY13 0RH

or office@astley.worcs.sch.uk

What is a Privacy Notice?

A Privacy Notice sets out to individuals how we use any personal information that we hold about them. We are required to publish this information by data protection legislation. This Privacy Notice explains how we process (collect, store, use and share) personal information about our pupils and parents.

What is Personal Information?

Personal information relates to a living individual who can be identified from that information. Identification can be by the information alone or in conjunction with any other information in the data controller's possession or likely to come into such possession.

'Special category' personal information relates to personal information revealing racial or ethnic origin, political opinions, religious or philosophical beliefs, or trade union membership, and the processing of genetic data, biometric data for the purpose of uniquely identifying a natural person, data concerning health or data concerning a natural person's sex life or sexual orientation.

What personal information do we process about pupils and parents?

The pupil and parent information that we collect, hold and share includes:

- Personal information including a pupil's name, date of birth, unique pupil number and home address
- Characteristics such as ethnicity, language and free school meal eligibility
- Attendance information such as sessions attended, number of absences and absence reasons.
- Educational information including records of work, assessment results, relevant medical information, details of pupils' special educational needs, exclusions and behavioural information.
- Contact information for parents, carers and other relatives, including telephone numbers, home addresses and e-mail addresses.
- Information about a child's home life, where required as part of necessary safeguarding and welfare processes.
- Details of any allergies or medical conditions, including physical and mental health.
- Details of any support received, including care packages, plans and support providers.
- Photographs

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We may also hold data about pupils that we have received from other organisations, including other schools, local authorities and the Department for Education.

The categories of parent/other family member's information that we collect, hold and share:

- Names, contact details (address, telephone number, email), gender, parental responsibility, contact preferences, place of work.

In some specific cases we may also hold:

- Date of birth, national insurance number, ethnicity, relationship to the child.
- Characteristics inc ethnic background, language, eligibility for free school meals, benefit entitlements.
- Safeguarding information.

Why do we use personal information?

We use pupil data:

- To support pupil learning
- To monitor and report on pupil progress
- To provide appropriate pastoral care
- To assess the quality of our services
- To comply with the law regarding data sharing
- To safeguard pupils
- To carry out research
- To comply with the law regarding data sharing
- To keep the school community safe and well

Collecting pupil information

Whilst the majority of pupil information you provide to us is mandatory, some of it is provided to us on a voluntary basis. In order to comply with the General Data Protection Regulation, we will inform you whether you are required to provide certain pupil information to us or if you have a choice in this.

What are the legal reasons for us to process your personal information?

We are required to process personal information in accordance with data protection legislation and only do so when the law allows us to. The lawful reasons we have for processing personal information are as follows:

1) To comply with the law

We collect and use general purpose pupil information in order to meet certain legal requirements and legal obligations placed upon the school by law. We therefore are required to this process personal information for such purposes even if you have not consented to us doing so.

Details of the type of processing that we must undertake, the personal data that is processed, the legislation which requires us to do so and who we may share this information with is set out in Table 1.

2) To protect someone's vital interests

We are able to process personal information when there is an emergency and/or where a person's life is in danger. We may use such information to protect the vital interests of the particular person or someone else's interests. Details of the type of processing that we may undertake on this basis and who we may share that information is set out in Table 2.

3) With the consent of the individual to whom that information 'belongs'

Whilst much of the personal information processed is in accordance with a legal requirement, there is some personal information that we can only process when we have your consent to do so. In these circumstances, we will provide you with specific and explicit information regarding the reasons the data is being collected and how the data will be used. Details of the type of processing that we may undertake on this basis and who we may share that information is set out in Table 3.

4) To perform a public task

It is a day-to-day function of the school to ensure that children receive the education and support they require. Much of this work is not set out directly in any legislation but it is deemed to be necessary in order to ensure that pupils are properly educated and supported. Details of the type of processing that we may undertake on this basis and who we may share that information is set out in Table 4.

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In certain circumstances, an individual has the right to object to any processing where it is likely to cause or is causing harm or distress. To exercise this right, individuals should do so by contacting the school to inform them of their reasons for the objection. These reasons should relate to your specific circumstances. Upon receipt of an objection, the school will consider the reasons for the objection and balance this against the legitimate grounds to process data.

Special category personal information

In order to process 'special category' data, we must be able to demonstrate how the law allows us to do so. In addition to the lawful reasons above, we must also be satisfied that ONE of the following additional lawful reasons applies:

- 1) Explicit consent of the data subject
- 2) Processing relates to personal data which is manifestly made public by the data subject
- 3) Necessary for establishing, exercising or defending legal claims
- 4) Necessary for reasons of substantial public interest
- 5) Necessary for preventive or occupational medicine, or for reasons of public interest in the area of public health
- 6) Necessary for archiving, historical research or statistical purposes in the public interest

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

Who might we share your information with?

We routinely share pupil information with:

- Schools that the pupils attend after leaving us
- Our local authority including SEN Services and Children's Services
- The Department for Education (DfE)
- The School Health service
- NHS
- Public Health and other public health agencies
- Information Management Software (Arbor, Wonde)
- The school photographer
- Educational applications to support pupils' education
- Conferencing software for home learning (Microsoft Teams)

We do not share information about our pupils or parents unless the law and our policies allow us to do so.

Please refer to the tables for information about what personal information is shared with which specific third parties.

Data collection requirements:

To find out more about the data collection requirements placed on us by the Department for Education (for example, via the school census) go to <https://www.gov.uk/education/data-collection-and-censuses-for-schools>.

Covid-19 – Data Collection Requirements:

It may be necessary for us to share limited information with the Department of Public Health if an individual tests positive for Coronavirus, or if there is a Coronavirus outbreak. This will enable the named agencies to liaise with families to provide advice and support, and to take appropriate steps in responding to an outbreak.

What do we do with your information?

All personal information is held in a manner which is compliant with data protection legislation. Personal information is only processed for the purpose it was collected. The school monitors the personal information it processes and will only share personal information with a third party if it has a legal basis to do so (as set out above).

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How long do we keep your information for?

We keep personal information about pupils or parents/carers while they are attending our school. We may also keep it beyond their attendance at our school if this is necessary in order to comply with our legal obligations.

For example:

- In the case of Safeguarding or SEN information, until they are aged 25.
- In the case of attendance data, for 3 years after the child leaves us.
- In the case of admissions, 3 years after date of admission.
- For statutory assessments (SATS), 6 years after the child leaves us.

In retaining personal information, the school complies with the Retention Schedules provided by the Information Record Management Society. The schedules set out the Statutory Provisions under which the school are required to retain the information. Please refer to our Retention and Disposal policy for further details.

Transferring data internationally

Where we transfer personal data to a country or territory outside of the UK, we will do so in accordance with data protection law.

What are your rights with respect of your personal information?

Under data protection law, 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 to have access to your child's educational record, contact the School Data Protection Officer at Warwickshire Legal Services via email at schooldpo@warwickshire.gov.uk or alternatively;

School Data Protection Officer
Warwickshire Legal Services
Warwickshire County Council
Shire Hall
Market Square
Warwick
CV34 4RL

****Please ensure you specify which school your request relates to.**

In certain circumstances where the school processes data for the purposes of legitimate interests or to fulfil their public task, individuals have a right to object to the processing where it is likely to cause, or is causing, harm or distress. When exercising this right, individuals should contact the school trust to inform them of their reasons for their objection. The school will consider the reasons for any objection and assess the risk to the individual against the purposes for the processing. In the event the school is unable to comply with an objection, we will ensure we can demonstrate compelling legitimate grounds to continue with the processing.

You also have the right to:

- 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

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/> Call 0303 123 1113 or write to: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

Review

The content of this Privacy Notice and accompanying privacy tables will be reviewed annually. Last reviewed November 2025. Next scheduled review: November 2026.