



# Pupils and Parents Privacy Notice

This Privacy Notice has been written to inform parents and pupils of St Joseph's Catholic High School about what we do with your personal information. This Notice may be subject to change.

## Who are we?

St Joseph's Catholic High School is a data controller as defined by the UK GDPR. This means that we determine the purposes for which your personal data is processed and the manner of the processing. We will only collect and use your personal data in ways that are compliant with data protection legislation.

The school has appointed Veritau Ltd as its Data Protection Officer (DPO). The role of the DPO is to monitor our compliance with the UK GDPR and the Data Protection Act 2018 and advise on data protection issues.

If you would like to discuss this privacy notice or our use of your data, please contact Veritau here;

Schools Data Protection Officer  
Veritau Ltd  
County Hall  
Racecourse Lane  
Northallerton  
DL7 8AL

[schoolsDPO@veritau.co.uk](mailto:schoolsDPO@veritau.co.uk)  
01609 53 2526

\*Please ensure you include the name of the school in all correspondence with the DPO

## What information do we collect?

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

- Personal information of pupils and their family members e.g., name, DOB and address
- Educational attainment
- Free school meal eligibility
- Attendance information
- Assessment information
- Behavioural information
- Safeguarding information

We will also process certain 'special category' data about our pupils including:

- Relevant medical information - please be aware that where the pupil has a severe allergy or is thought to be at risk of needing emergency care for a medical issue then this will be shared with all relevant staff members. We may do this in the form of photo identification in the staff room to ensure that all staff members are aware of the issues should an emergency situation arise
- Special Educational Needs and Disabilities information
- Race, ethnicity and religion
- Biometric data e.g. thumbprints
- The school may also have information relating to you or your child's sexual orientation and/or sexual activity. This is not routine and only likely to be collected if there is a safeguarding risk.

## Why do we collect your personal data?

We use the information we collect:

- to support pupil learning
- to monitor and report on pupil progress
- to provide appropriate pastoral care
- to assess the quality of our services

Any personal data that we process about our pupils and parents is done so in accordance with Article 6 and Article 9 of GDPR:

Our legal basis for processing your personal data, in line with Article 6(1)(c)s includes (but not necessarily limited to):

- Education Act 1944, 1996, 2002
- Education and Adoption Act 2016
- Education (Information About Individual Pupils)(England) Regulations 2013
- Education (Pupil Information) (England) Regulations 2005
- Education and Skills Act 2008
- Children Act 1989, 2004
- Children and Families Act 2014
- Equality Act 2010
- Education (Special Educational Needs) Regulations 2001

We also process information in accordance with Article 6(e) and Article 9(2)(g) as part of the official authority vested in us as Data Controller and for reasons of substantial public interest. This is in pursuance with Schedule 1, Part 2, Section 6(2)(b) of the Data Protection Act 2018. Such processing, which is not mandatory but is considered to be in our pupils' interests, include:

- School trips
- Extracurricular activities
- Before and after school clubs

Whilst the majority of pupil information you provide to us is mandatory, some of it is provided to us on a voluntary basis. When we do process this additional information, we will ensure that we ask for your consent to process this.

## Who do we obtain your information from?

Much of the information we process will be obtained directly from you (pupils and parents). We will also process information received from:

- Department for Education (DfE)
- Local Education Authority (Cumbria)
- Previous schools attended

## Who do we share your personal data with?

We routinely share pupil information with:

- schools that the pupils attend after leaving us
- our Local Education Authority (Cumbria)
- the Department for Education (DfE)
- National Health Service bodies

For more information on information sharing with the DfE (including the National Pupil Database and Census) please go to: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-pupil-database-user-guide-and-supporting-information>

We will not share any information about you outside the school without your consent unless we have a lawful basis for doing so.

Once our pupils reach the age of 13, we also pass information to our Local Authority and / or provider of youth support services as stipulated under section 507B of the Education Act 1996. The information provided includes addresses, DOB of pupil/parents, and any other information necessary for the provision of the service including gender or ethnicity.

A parent or guardian can request that **only** their child's name, address and date of birth is passed to their local authority or provider of youth support services by informing us. This right is transferred to the child / pupil once he/she reaches the age 16.

For more information regarding services for young people please visit our Local Authority 's website: [www.cumbria.gov.uk](http://www.cumbria.gov.uk)

### **How long do we keep your personal data for?**

St Joseph's Catholic High School will keep your data in line with our Information Policy. Most of the information we process about you will be retained as determined by statutory obligations. Any personal information which we are not required by law to retain will only be kept for as long as is necessary to fulfil our organisational needs.

### **What rights do you have over your data?**

Under GDPR parents and pupils have the following rights in relation to the processing of their personal data: \*

- to be informed about how we process your personal data. This notice fulfils this obligation
- to request access to your personal data that we hold, and be provided with a copy of it
- to request that your personal data is amended if inaccurate or incomplete
- to request that your personal data is erased where there is no compelling reason for its continued processing
- to request that the processing of your personal data is restricted
- to object to your personal data being processed

If you have any concerns about the way we have handled your personal data or would like any further information, then please contact our DPO on the address provided above.

Please be aware that usually pupils are considered to have the mental capacity to understand their own data protection rights from the age of 12 years old. The school may therefore consult with the pupil if it receives a request to exercise a data protection right from a parent.

If we cannot resolve your concerns you may also complain to the Information Commissioner's Office (the Data Protection Regulator) about the way in which the school has handled your personal data. You can do so by contacting:

First Contact Team  
Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow Cheshire  
SK9 5AF  
[casework@ico.org.uk](mailto:casework@ico.org.uk)  
0303 123 1113

## APPENDIX 1: Sharing data with other third parties

It may be necessary to share data with some third parties outside of the DfE who, for example, provide software that helps with the day-to-day running of the school. This is not an exhaustive list and will be updated periodically.

Examples and context include:

Third Party	Context	
Arbor Education	School Information Management System	
Iris BioStore Ltd	Fastrak Cashless Catering biometric data.	
Cumbria County Council	SEND & sixth form transport information. Switch Access System —child protection data sharing	
Cumbria Work Experience	Work Experience website/database in partnership with CEBP.	
Duke of Edinburgh Awards	Personal data of students taking part in the D of E Award Scheme.	
Edukey Education Ltd	Class Charts: seating plans, behaviour & attendance; Provision Map Writer.	
Exam Boards	AQA, OCR, EdExcel, TLM, WJEC. Student personal data required for exam entries and certificates.	
Facebook Inc	School Info and Student Photos	
GL Assessment	Cognitive Ability Testing for students	
Google LLC	Google Education Suite of Online Services	
Inspira	Youth support services and careers advice.	
Instagram	School Info and Student Photos	
Inventry Ltd	InVentry: sign-in solutions (visitors, staff, students).	
Kym Allen Associates	Health & Safety consultant. Student data for educational visits (Evolve).	
Meritec Ltd (CPOMS)	Safeguarding monitoring: includes sensitive and child protection information.	
Microsoft UK	Microsoft Office 365 Online Services	
NHS (England)	School Nurse: names, dates of birth, addresses, medical information.	
SchoolComms	School Text and Email Service, Payment Portal	
SISRA Ltd	Student progress data analysis.	
School Gateway	Online payment service: cashless catering and school trips.	
Start (U-explore Ltd)	Careers guidance website	
Subject Software and Online Learning Tools	ActiveLearn (MFL) ArkCurriculum+. (English) Heagerty Maths (Mathematics) Kerboodle (Science, Geography & RE)	Linguascope (MFL) MyMaths (Mathematics) SENECA Learning (Mathematics) Sparxx Maths (Mathematics)
Tempest Photography	School photographs. No personal data collected. Photos encrypted.	
Twitter Inc	Department accounts for sharing student success	