

CRGS GDPR PRIVACY NOTICES

1. Privacy notice for parents/carers

This notice reflects the requirements of the UK General Data Protection Regulation (UK GDPR), the Data Protection Act 2018 and the Data (Use and Access) Act 2025. The notice explains how we collect, store and use personal data about **student**.

We, Clitheroe Royal Grammar School, are the 'data controller' for the purposes of data protection law.

Our GDPR officer is Miss J. Renold (Main School): j.renold@crgs.org.uk

The personal data we hold

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

- Contact details, contact preferences, date of birth, identification documents
- Results of internal assessments and externally set tests
- Student and curricular records
- Characteristics, such as ethnic background, eligibility for free school meals, or special educational needs
- Exclusion information
- Details of any medical conditions, including physical and mental health
- Attendance information
- Safeguarding information
- Details of any support received, including care packages, plans and support providers
- Photographs
- CCTV images captured in school

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

Why we use this data

We use this data to:

- Support student learning
- Monitor and report on student progress
- Provide appropriate pastoral care
- Protect student welfare
- Assess the quality of our services
- Administer admissions
- Maintain accounts and records
- Carry out research
- Undertake fundraising
- Comply with the law regarding data sharing

In addition we use CCTV for security and the prevention and detection of crime.

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Our legal basis for using this data

We only collect and use students' personal data when the law allows us to. Most commonly, we process it where:

- We need to comply with a legal obligation
- We need it to perform an official task in the public interest

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

- We have obtained consent to use it in a certain way
- We need to protect the individual's vital interests (or someone else's interests)

Where we have obtained consent to use students' personal data, this consent can be withdrawn at any time. We will make this clear when we ask for consent, and explain how consent can be withdrawn.

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

Collecting this information

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

Whenever we seek to collect information from you or your child, we make it clear whether providing it is mandatory or optional. If it is mandatory, we will explain the possible consequences of not complying.

How we store this data

We keep personal information about students 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. The IRMS Toolkit for Schools and Academies sets out how long we keep information about students.

Routine electronic communications such as emails are normally retained for no longer than two years unless they form part of a formal student, safeguarding or administrative record.

Data sharing

We do not share information about students 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 data protection law) we may share personal information about students with:

- *Our local authority*
- *The Department for Education*
- *The student'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*
- *Financial organisations*
- *Central and local government*
- *Our auditors*
- *Health authorities*
- *Survey and research organisations*
- *Security organisations*
- *Health and social welfare organisations*

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- *Professional advisers and consultants*
- *Police forces, courts, tribunals*
- *Professional bodies*

National Student Database

We are required to provide information about students to the Department for Education as part of statutory data collections such as the school census.

Some of this information is then stored in the [National Student Database](#) (NPD), which is owned and managed by the Department and provides evidence on school performance to inform research.

The database is held electronically so it can easily be turned into statistics. The information is securely collected from a range of sources including schools, local authorities and exam boards.

The Department for Education may share information from the NPD with other organisations which promote children's education or wellbeing in England. Such organisations must agree to strict terms and conditions about how they will use the data.

For more information, see the Department's webpage on [how it collects and shares research data](#).

You can also [contact the Department for Education](#) with any further questions about the NPD.

Youth support services

Once our students reach the age of 13, we are legally required to pass on certain information about them to youth support services, as it has legal responsibilities regarding the education or training of 13-19 year-olds.

This information enables it to provide youth support services, post-16 education and training services, and careers advisers.

Transferring data internationally

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

Parents and students' rights regarding personal data

Under data protection law, individuals have the right to request access to personal information that the school holds about them. This is known as a Subject Access Request (SAR).

Parents or carers may request access to their child's personal data where the child is not considered mature enough to understand their own data protection rights, or where the child has given consent. Where students are considered mature enough to understand their rights, we will normally respond directly to the student.

If you make a subject access request and we hold personal data about you or your child, we will provide a copy of the relevant personal data that has been requested. Where required by law, we will also provide information explaining how and why the data is processed, including details such as the purposes for processing, how long the information is kept and who it may be shared with.

To protect personal data, the school may ask for proof of identity before responding to a subject access request where this is necessary to confirm the identity of the requester.

When responding to subject access requests, the school will carry out reasonable and proportionate searches for personal data. In some cases we may ask for clarification of the request so that we can identify the information being requested. Where clarification is needed, the statutory response period may be paused until sufficient information is received.

We will normally respond to subject access requests within one month of receiving the request.

If you would like to make a subject access request, please contact the school's **Data Protection Officer (DPO)**: Miss J. Renold, Head of Main School.

Other rights

Under data protection law, individuals have certain rights regarding how their personal data is used and kept safe, including the right to:

- Object to the use of personal data if it would cause, or is causing, damage or distress

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- Prevent it being used to send direct marketing
- Object to decisions based solely on automated processing that have legal or similarly significant effects. In certain circumstances, have inaccurate personal data corrected, deleted or destroyed, or restrict processing
- Claim compensation for damages caused by a breach of the data protection regulations

To exercise any of these rights, please contact our data protection officer.

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 use the school's complaints policy which can be found on the school website.

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

- Report a concern online 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

Contact us

If you have any questions, concerns or would like more information about anything mentioned in this privacy notice, please contact our **GDPR officer**:

- Miss J. Renold (Deputy Headteacher): j.renold@crgs.org.uk

This notice is based on the [Department for Education's model privacy notice](#) for students, amended for parents and to reflect the way we use data in this school.

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2. Privacy notice for students

You have a legal right to be informed about how our school uses any personal information that we hold about you. To comply with this, we provide a 'privacy notice' to you where we are processing your personal data.

This privacy notice explains how we collect, store and use personal data about you.

We, Clitheroe Royal Grammar School, are the 'data controller' for the purposes of data protection law.

Our GDPR officer is Miss J. Renold (Head of Main School): j.renold@crgs.org.uk

The personal data we hold

We hold some personal information about you to make sure we can help you learn and look after you at school.

For the same reasons, we get information about you from some other places too – like other schools, the local council and the government.

This information includes:

- Your contact details
- Your test results
- Your attendance records
- Your characteristics, like your ethnic background or any special educational needs
- Any medical conditions you have
- Details of any behaviour issues or exclusions
- Photographs
- CCTV images

Why we use this data

We use this data to help run the school, including to:

- Get in touch with you and your parents when we need to
- Check how you're doing in assessments and exams and work out whether you or your teachers need any extra support
- Track how well the school as a whole is performing
- Look after your wellbeing

In addition we use CCTV for security and the prevention and detection of crime.

Our legal basis for using this data

We will only collect and use your information when the law allows us to. Most often, we will use your information where:

- We need to comply with the law
- We need to use it to carry out a task in the public interest (in order to provide you with an education)

Sometimes, we may also use your personal information where:

- You, or your parents/carers have given us permission to use it in a certain way
- We need to protect your interests (or someone else's interest)

Where we have got permission to use your data, you or your parents/carers may withdraw this at any time. We will make this clear when we ask for permission, and explain how to go about withdrawing consent.

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Some of the reasons listed above for collecting and using your information overlap, and there may be several grounds which mean we can use your data.

Collecting this information

While in most cases you, or your parents/carers, must provide the personal information we need to collect, there are some occasions when you can choose whether or not to provide the data.

We will always tell you if it's optional. If you must provide the data, we will explain what might happen if you don't.

How we store this data

We will keep personal information about you while you are a student at our school. We may also keep it after you have left the school, where we are required to by law.

The IRMS Toolkit for Schools and Academies sets out how long we keep the information.

Data sharing

We do not share personal information about you with anyone outside the school without permission from you or your parents/carers, unless the law and our policies allow us to do so.

Where it is legally required, or necessary for another reason allowed under data protection law, we may share personal information about you with:

- *Our local authority – to meet our legal duties to share certain information with it, such as concerns about student safety and exclusions*
- *The Department for Education (a government department)*
- *Your family and representatives*
- *Educators and examining bodies*
- *Our regulator: Ofsted*
- *Suppliers and service providers – so that they can provide the services we have contracted them for*
- *Financial organisations*
- *Central and local government*
- *Our auditors*
- *Survey and research organisations*
- *Health authorities*
- *Security organisations*
- *Health and social welfare organisations*
- *Professional advisers and consultants*
- *Police forces, courts, tribunals*
- *Professional bodies*

National Student Database

We are required to provide information about you to the Department for Education (a government department) as part of data collections such as the school census.

Some of this information is then stored in the [National Student Database](#), which is managed by the Department for Education and provides evidence on how schools are performing. This, in turn, supports research.

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The database is held electronically so it can easily be turned into statistics. The information it holds is collected securely from schools, local authorities, exam boards and others.

The Department for Education may share information from the database with other organisations which promote children's education or wellbeing in England. These organisations must agree to strict terms and conditions about how they will use your data.

You can find more information about this on the Department for Education's webpage on [how it collects and shares research data](#).

You can also [contact the Department for Education](#) if you have any questions about the database.

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Transferring data internationally

Where we share data with an organisation that is based outside the UK, we will protect your data by following data protection law.

Your rights

How to access personal information we hold about you

You can find out if we hold any personal information about you, and how we use it, by making a '**subject access request**', as long as we judge that you can properly understand your rights and what they mean.

If we do hold information about you, we will:

- Give you a description of it
- Tell you why we are holding and using it, and how long we will keep it for
- Explain where we got it from, if not from you or your parents
- Tell you who it has been, or will be, shared with
- Let you know if we are using your data to make any automated decisions (decisions being taken by a computer or machine, rather than by a person)
- Give you a copy of the information

You may also ask us to send your personal information to another organisation electronically in certain circumstances.

If you want to make a request please contact our data protection officer.

Your other rights over your data

You have other rights over how your personal data is used and kept safe, including the right to:

- Say that you don't want it to be used if this would cause, or is causing, harm or distress
- Stop it being used to send you marketing materials
- Say that you don't want it used to make automated decisions (decisions made by a computer or machine, rather than by a person)
- Have it corrected, deleted or destroyed if it is wrong, or restrict our use of it
- Claim compensation if the data protection rules are broken and this harms you in some way

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Complaints

We take any complaints about how we collect and use your personal data very seriously, so please let us know if you think we've done something wrong.

You can make a complaint at any time by contacting our data protection officer.

You can also complain to the Information Commissioner's Office in one of the following ways:

- Report a concern online 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

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