



## **Privacy notice for Parents and Carers – How we use your Personal Data**

### **Introduction**

Under data protection law, individuals have a right to be informed about how Turner Schools 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 **you**. We, Turner Schools are the 'data controller' for the purposes of data protection law. Our data protection officer is Jenny Bledge (see 'Contact us' below).

### **The personal data we hold**

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

- Contact details and contact preferences
- Bank details
- Photographs
- CCTV images captured in school

We may also collect, store and use information about you that falls into "special categories" of more sensitive personal data. This includes information about (where applicable):

- Characteristics, such as ethnicity, languages spoken and eligibility for certain benefits
- Family circumstances
- Physical and mental health, including medical conditions
- Support received, including care packages, plans and support providers

We may also hold data about you that we have received from other organisations, including other schools, academies and social services.

### **Why we use this data**

We use this data to:

- Report to you on your child's attainment and progress
- Keep you informed about the running of the school's and Academy (such as emergency closures) and events
- Process payments for school/academy services and clubs
- Provide appropriate pastoral care
- Safeguard all pupils and students
- Administer admissions waiting lists
- Assess the quality of our services
- Carry out research
- Comply with our legal and statutory obligations

### **Use of your personal data for marketing purposes**

Where you have given us consent to do so, Turner Schools may send you marketing information by email or text promoting school events, campaigns, charitable causes or services that may be of interest to you. You can withdraw consent or 'opt out' of receiving these emails and/or texts at any time by contacting our Data Protection Officer.

### **Our legal basis for using this data**

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

- We need to comply with a legal obligation
- We need to perform an official task in the public interest
- We need to fulfil a contract we have entered into with you

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

- We have obtained consent to use it in a certain way
- We need to protect an individual's vital interests (protect their life)

Where you have provided us with consent to use your data, you may withdraw this consent at any time. We will make this clear when requesting your consent, and explain how you would go about withdrawing consent if you wish to do so. Some of the reasons listed above for collecting and using your personal data overlap, and there may be several grounds which justify our use of your data.

### **Collecting this information**

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

Whenever we seek to collect information from you, we make it clear whether you must provide this information (and if so, what the possible consequences are of not complying), or whether you have a choice.

### **How we store this data**

We keep personal information about you while your child is attending our school/academy. We may also keep it beyond their attendance at our schools/academy if this is necessary in order to comply with our legal obligations.

### **Data sharing**

We do not share information about you with any third party without consent 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 your child with:

- Our local authority Kent County Council (KCC) – to meet our legal duties to share certain information with it, such as concerns about pupils' safety and exclusions
- The Department for Education (DfE) and central government
- Schools/Further Education/Higher Education settings that pupil's attend after leaving us
- Examining Bodies
- Offsite learning providers
- Careers Services
- NHS and other healthcare professionals

- Family, associates and representatives of the person whose data we are processing
- Third party professional services i.e. Social Services, Social Care Teams
- Law Enforcement and courts
- Nourish (School Catering)
- Biometrics Company
- School Trips organisations
- Insurance Company
- Press and Media (in line with consent provided)
- Business Associates and Professional Advisers

### **Transfers**

It may sometimes be necessary to transfer personal information overseas. When this is needed, information may be transferred to countries or territories around the world. Any transfers made will be in full compliance with all aspects of the GDPR.

### **Your rights**

#### **How to access personal information that we hold about you**

Individuals have a right to make a 'subject access request' to gain access to personal information that the school holds about them.

If you make a subject access request, and if we do hold information about you, we will:

- Give you a description of it
- Tell you why we are holding and processing it, and how long we will keep it for
- Explain where we got it from, if not from you
- Tell you who it has been, or will be, shared with
- Let you know whether any automated decision-making is being applied to the data, and any consequences of this
- Give you a copy of the information in an intelligible form

You may also have the right for your personal information to be transmitted electronically to another organisation in certain circumstances. If you would like to make a request, please contact our data protection officer.

We are happy to help people access their information in a timely manner, but will find it difficult to respond during the school holidays.

If you want to make a request please contact our Data Protection Officer on [DPO@turnerschools.com](mailto:DPO@turnerschools.com)

#### **Your other rights regarding your data**

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

- Object to the use of your personal data if it would cause, or is causing, damage or distress
- Prevent your data being used to send direct marketing
- Object to the use of your personal data for decisions being taken by automated means (by a computer or machine, rather than by a person)
- 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 how we collect and use your child's 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

### **Contact Us**

If you have any questions, concerns or would like more information about anything mentioned in this privacy notice, please contact our Data Protection Officer:

- Jenny Bledge, Turner Schools
- [dpo@turnerschools.com](mailto:dpo@turnerschools.com)

A copy of this privacy notice is available on our website.

*This notice is based on the Department for Education's model privacy notice for parents and carers, amended to reflect the way we use data in Turner Schools and is subject to review.*