

How we use AI at Selwood Academy

What is Generative AI and How Can It Help Us?

Generative artificial intelligence (AI) is a type of technology that can create new content like text, images, or presentations based on patterns it has learned from large amounts of information. At Selwood Academy, we see AI as a helpful tool that can support pupils, staff, and school leaders by:

- Reducing routine administrative tasks
- Helping staff produce clear and accurate communications
- Supporting curriculum planning and compliance
- Enhancing personalised learning experiences

We are committed to using AI responsibly, ensuring it supports our school community while maintaining safety, accuracy, and respect for privacy.

How We Evaluate AI Tools

Before using any AI tool, we carefully assess it to make sure it is safe, secure, and appropriate for its intended purpose. This evaluation helps us protect pupils and staff, comply with legal requirements, and ensure the technology adds real value to our school.

AI Tools We Use and Why

At Selwood Academy, we currently use the following AI tools:

- **The Key AI:** Provides up-to-date information on compliance and policy, helping us stay aligned with education regulations and best practices.
- **SLT AI:** Helps with administrative tasks and provides quick access to reference information, freeing up leaders to focus on strategic priorities.
- **Arbor AI:** MIS platform assists with school policy.
- **AI Presentations:** Integrated with Microsoft Presentations, this tool supports staff in creating engaging and effective lesson and business materials.
- **TeachMate AI:** Supports with curriculum design and the planning and resources of lessons.
- **Google Gemini:** Used for lesson planning, resources and supporting effective communication.
- **Canva:** Used mainly to support marketing and social media.

These tools are used thoughtfully to enhance efficiency and quality while keeping the needs and safety of our pupils at the forefront.

What AI Is Not Used For at Selwood Academy

We want to reassure our community that AI is *not* used for:

- Providing careers advice
- Supporting pupils or staff with important life decisions

AI is a tool to assist our school community, not to replace the expert judgement, care, and personal support that our staff provide. Our commitment remains to human-led guidance and decision-making in these sensitive areas.

Contact Us

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns about our use of AI at Selwood Academy, please do not hesitate to get in touch with the school. We value open communication and are happy to provide further information.