

**Privacy Notice for Parents and Pupils – How we use your information**

**2025/26**

**Who are we?**

The Arden Forest C of E Multi Academy Trust is the ‘data controller’. This means the Trust is responsible for how your personal information is processed and for what purposes.

Arden Forest C of E Multi Academy Trust is registered as the Data Controller with the Information Commissioner’s Office (ICO); Registration Number: ZA415063

You can contact the Trust as the Data Controller in writing via the school at: St Nicholas C of E

Primary, St Faiths Road, Alcester, Warwickshire, B49 6AG or e-mail to AFMdatacontact@welearn365.com

**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, nationality, country of birth 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/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.

**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 share medical information with public health agencies

**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.

If you would like a copy of or further information regarding the statutory authorities that underpin our legal obligations, you should contact the school in writing.

1. **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.

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.

1. **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.

1. **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.

# 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 additional 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

The lawful reasons for each type of special category personal information data that we process is set out in the tables attached.

**Who might we share your information with?** We routinely share pupil information with:

* schools that the pupils attend after leaving us
* our local authority (Warwickshire)
* the Department for Education (DfE)
* NHS
* Compass School Health
* Educational learning resources on line
* Local Public Health team
* NHS Test and Trace

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-collectionand-censuses-for-schools.](https://www.gov.uk/education/data-collection-and-censuses-for-schools)

**NHS Test and Trace/Public Health Agencies:**

It may be necessary for us to share limited information with the above agencies in the event that an individual tests positive for Coronavirus, or it there is a Coronavirus outbreak. This will enable to the named agencies to liaise with families to provide advice and support, and to take appropriate steps in responding to an outbreak. You have the right to object to the sharing of information with such agencies. This is not an absolute right and will be assessed on a case by case basis.

**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).

**How long do we keep your information for?**

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.

A copy of those schedules can be located using the following link: <http://irms.org.uk/page/SchoolsToolkit>

**Transferring data internationally**

Where we transfer personal data to a country or territory outside the European Economic Area, 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.**

You also have the right to:

* object to processing of personal data that is likely to cause, or is causing, damage or distress;
* 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/>

**Review**

The content of this Privacy Notice will be reviewed by 12th October 2024 or before should updates be required.

[Latest update: 13th October 2023]

**Table 1** – Personal information we are required to process to comply with the law:

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| **Informatio n** **Type**  | **Relevant legislation**  | **Special Category – additional lawful reason**  | **Third Parties with whom we share the information**  | **Lawful reason for sharing**  |
| Pupil full name  | The Education (Information about Individual Pupils) (England) Regulations 2013 Regulation 3(2)  | n/a  | Local Authority Department of Education School to which pupil has transferred.  | Legal obligation  |
| Sims.Net ParentPay online payment system Junior Librarian Mathletics online maths resource Accelerated Reader – Online Reading Resources FCP Technologies text messaging system Cool Milk The Listening Service - School Counsellor Warwickshire School Health & Wellbeing Service (provided by Compass) Paper Cut Twinkl – Classroom resource database 2simple- Assessment and tracking tool for reception Thrive – On line emotional support tool Jigsaw – Online PHSE tool SPAG- Online spelling and Grammar Tool Bug Club – on line Phonics Tool Studybugs – attendance and communication tool TT Rockstars (Maths Circle) timestable.co.uk CPOMS Dyslexia Gold School Interviews  | To perform a public task  |
| Other local schools e.g. for sports events Insight – Classroom Monitor assessment system  | To perform a public task  |
| Gender  | The Education (Information about Individual Pupils) (England) Regulations  | n/a  | Local Authority Department of Education School to which pupil has transferred  | Legal obligation  |
| Sims.Net Parent Pay online payment system Cool Milk  | To perform a public task  |

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|  | 2013 Regulation 3(2)  |  | Twinkl – Classroom resource database 2simple- Assessment and tracking tool for reception Thrive – On line emotional support tool Jigsaw – Online PHSE tool SPAG- Online spelling and Grammar Tool Bug Club – on line Phonics Tool Studybugs – attendance and communication tool  |  |
| Date of Birth  | The Education (Information about Individual Pupils) (England) Regulations 2013 Regulation 3(2)  | n/a  | Local Authority Department of Education School to which pupil has transferred  | Legal obligation  |
| Sims.net ParentPay online payment system Cool Milk Warwickshire School Health & Wellbeing Service (provided by Compass) Paper Cut Twinkl 2simple- Assessment and tracking tool for reception Thrive – On line emotional support tool Jigsaw – Online PHSE tool SPAG- Online spelling and Grammar Tool Bug Club – on line Phonics Tool Studybugs – attendance and communication tool Insight – Classroom Monitor assessment system CPOMS  | To perform a public task  |
| Home address  | The Education (Information about Individual Pupils) (England) Regulations 2013 Regulation 3(2)  | n/a  | Local Authority Department of Education School to which pupil has transferred  | Legal obligation  |
| Sims.Net Cool Milk ParentPay online payment system Warwickshire School Health & Wellbeing Service (provided by Compass) 2simple- Assessment and tracking tool for reception CPOMS  | Performance of a public task  |
| First Language  | The Education  | n/a  | Local Authority Department of Education  | Legal obligation  |

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|  | (Information about Individual Pupils) (England) Regulations 2013 Regulation 3(2)  |  | School to which pupil has transferred Sims.net  | Performance of a public task  |
| Ethnicity  | The Education (Information about Individual Pupils) (England) Regulations 2013 Regulation 3(2)  | Consent  | Local Authority Department of Education School to which pupil has transferred. Sims.net  | Legal obligation Performance of a public task  |
| National Identity, Country of Birth, Nationality  | Education Act 1996 Section 537A  |  | Local Authority Department of Education School to which pupil has transferred Sims.net  | Legal obligation Performance of a public task  |
| Date of admission to school  | The Education (Information about Individual Pupils) (England) Regulations 2013 Regulation 3(2)  | n/a  | Local Authority Department of Education School to which pupil has transferred  | Legal obligation  |
| Sims.Net Cool Milk Studybugs – attendance and communication tool  | Performance of a public task  |
| Last school attended - name and address  | The Education (Pupil Information) (England) Regulations 2005 Regulation 5  | n/a  | Local Authority Department of Education School to which pupil has transferred Sims.net  | Legal obligation Performance of a public task  |
| National curriculum year group  | The Education (Information about Individual Pupils) (England) Regulations 2013 Regulation 3(2)  | n/a  | Local Authority Department of Education School to which pupil has transferred  | Legal obligation  |
| Sims.net ParentPay online payment system system FCP Technologies text messaging system Insight – monitor  | Performance of a public task  |

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|  |  |  | assessment. 2simple- Assessment and tracking tool for reception Studybugs – attendance and communication tool TT Rockstars (Maths Circle) timestable.co.uk  |  |
| Unique pupil number  | Education Act 1996 Section 537A  | n/a  | Local Authority Department of Education School to which pupil has transferred  | Legal obligation  |
| Sims.net 2simple- Assessment and tracking tool for reception  | Performance of a public task  |
| Eligibility for Free School Meals  | The Education (Information about Individual Pupils) (England) Regulations 2013 Regulation 3(2)  | n/a  | Local Authority Department of Education School to which pupil has transferred  | Legal obligation  |
| Sims.net ParentPay online payment system Cool Milk 2simple- Assessment and tracking tool for reception Studybugs – attendance and communication tool  | Performance of a public task  |
| Mode of Travel to School  | Education Act 1996 Section 508A  | n/a  | Local Authority Department of Education School to which pupil has transferred  | Legal obligation  |
| Proficiency in English  | Education Act 1996 Section 537A  | n/a  | Local Authority Department of Education School to which pupil has transferred Sims.net  | Legal obligation Performance of a public task  |
| Whether a pupil is looked after and the Local Authority by whom the pupil is looked after  | The Education (Information about Individual Pupils) (England) Regulations 2013 Regulation 3(2)  | n/a  | Local Authority Department of Education School to which pupil has transferred Sims.net  | Legal obligation Performance of a public task  |
| Where a pupil has been but is no longer looked after, the type of order resulting in them no  | The Education (Information about Individual Pupils) (England) Regulations 2013 Regulation  | n/a  | Local Authority Department of Education School to which pupil has transferred Sims.net  | Legal obligation Performance of a public task  |

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| longer being looked after  | 3(2)  |  |  |  |
| Special Educational Needs status, start date, details of needs and provision  | The Education (Information about Individual Pupils) (England) Regulations 2013 Regulation 3(2)  | n/a  | Local Authority Department of Education School to which pupil has transferred Junior Librarian 2simple- Assessment and tracking tool for reception Sims.net Studybugs – attendance and communication tool  | Legal obligation Performance of a public task  |
| Details of exclusions: start and end dates, number of sessions, fixed length/perm anent, reason for exclusion  | The Education (Information about Individual Pupils) (England) Regulations 2013 Regulation 3(2)  | n/a  | Local Authority Department of Education School to which pupil has transferred Sims.net  | Legal obligation Performance of a public task  |
| Assessment date – end of key stage and Year 1 phonics screening  | The Education (Pupil Information) (England) Regulations 2005  | n/a  | Local Authority Department of Education School to which pupil has transferred Junior Librarian 2simple- Assessment and tracking tool for reception Sims.net  | Legal obligation Performance of a public task  |
| Pupil Annual Reports  | The Education (Pupil Information) (England) Regulations 2005  | n/a  | School to which pupil has transferred  | Legal obligation  |
| Attendance records including whether absence was authorised/ unauthorise d and reason for absence  | The Education (Information about Individual Pupils) (England) Regulations 2013 Regulation 3(2)  | n/a  | Local Authority Department of Education School to which pupil has transferred Sims.net Studybugs – attendance and communication tool  | Legal obligation Performance of a public task  |
| Parents’ names and  | The Education  | n/a  | Local Authority Department of Education  | Legal obligation  |

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| addresses  | (Pupil Information) (England) Regulations 2006 Regulation 5 (1)(c)  |  | School to which pupil has transferred Warwickshire School Health & Wellbeing Service (provided by Compass) 2simple- Assessment and tracking tool for reception Sims.net Studybugs – attendance and communication tool CPOMS School Interviews  | Performance of a public task  |
| Parents’ telephone number (if pupil usually resides with them)  | The Education (Pupil Information) (England) Regulations 2006 Regulation 5 (1)(c)  | n/a  | Local Authority Department of Education School to which pupil has transferred CPOMS Sims.net  | Legal obligation Performance of a public task  |
| Pupil assessment data (Curricular record)  | The Education (Pupil Information) (England) Regulations 2005, Regulation 4  |  | School Governors 2simple- Assessment and tracking tool for reception  | Performance of a public task Performance of a public task  |

* 1. – Personal information we are required to process as it is necessary to protect someone’s vital interests

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| **Information Type**  | **Special Category - additional lawful reason**  | **Third Parties with whom we share the information**  | **Lawful reason sharing**  | **for**  |
| Medical Information  | Necessary to protect vital interests of the data subject or another person where the data subject is physically or legally incapable of giving consent’  | Medical staff i.e. paramedics/ambulance  | Vital Interest  |  |
| Medical Information and conditions  |  | Necessary to protect vital interests of the data  | External third parties such as coaches and volunteers supporting curriculum or extra curriculum activities  | Vital Interest  |  |
| Dietary allergies  | /  | Necessary to protect vital interests of the data subject or another person where the data subject is physically or legally incapable of giving consent’  | Medical staff i.e. paramedics/ambulance Catering Staff – Educaterers or Class Catering Parent Pay Residential Accommodation providers – e.g. PGL Location visited where food will be provided by third parties– other schools and locations visited on school trips  | Vital Interest  |  |
| Religious belief  | Necessary to protect vital interests of the data subject or another person where the data subject is physically or legally incapable of giving consent’  | Medical staff i.e. paramedics/ambulance  | Vital Interest  |  |

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| **Information Type**  | **Special Category - additional lawful reason**  | **Third Parties with whom we share the information**  | **Lawful reason for sharing**  |
| Photographs  |  | Government agencies, e.g. Department for Education, The Warwickshire Consortium Teaching School.  | Consent  |
| Photographs  |  | Media including Stratford Herald, Redditch/Alcester Standard, Redditch Advertiser or inviting such media organisations to take photographs of pupils (including your child) engaged in school activities or events for publication. School Newsletter, School Prospectus, School Website, Facebook and Twitter.  | Consent  |
| Photographs  |  | Official school photographs, with images taken by an external Photographic company and available for purchase by parents.  | Consent  |
| Pupil Personal Data  |  | Cool Milk, Parent Pay, Osborne Technologies  | Consent |
| Email address  |  | Not shared  |  |

* 1. **-** Personal information we are required to process because it is necessary to do so in order to perform a public task

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| **Information Type**  | **Special Category - additional lawful reason**  | **Third Parties with whom we share the information**  | **Lawful reason for** **sharing**  |
| Pupil Information i.e. name, age address, Parent detail, Emergency contact details  |  | Department of Education – school census. Other schools – when pupils transfers | Legal Obligation  |
| Academic Progress data including Pupil Reports, Assessment records, , Learning journals, staff observations  |  | OFSTED, Parents, Health such as Speech and Language  | Public Task & Legal Obligation  |
| Safeguarding information, Medical, Special Education Needs  |  | Local Authority, Health, Parents, other schools on pupil transfer  | Legal Obligation  |
| Pupil Premium/ FSM  |  | DfE, Other schools – pupil transfers  | Public Task  |
| Adopted Children/LAC  |  | DfE via census, Other schools – pupil transfers  | Public Task  |
| Service Children  |  | DfE via census, Other schools – pupil transfers  | Public Task  |
| Court Orders  |  | Other Schools – Pupils Transfer  | Public Task  |
| The pupil is considered to be a young career  |  | Warwickshire Young Careers, Other Schools – Pupils Transfer | Public Task  |
| The pupils main residence is provided by orbit housing  |  | Parenting Project, MASH Other schools on pupil transfer, Other Schools – Pupils Transfer  | Public Task  |
| Attendance records  |  | Local Authority, Other schools on pupil transfer  | Public Task  |
| **For Coronavirus purposes**  |  |  |  |
| Name  |  | Public Health NHS Test and Trace  | Public task  |
| Date of Birth  |  | Public Health NHS Test and Trace  | Public task  |
| Year Group  |  | Public Health NHS Test and Trace  | Public task  |
| Parent contact number  |  | Public Health NHS Test and Trace  | Public task  |
| Results of COVID-19 testing  | Necessary for reasons of public health  | Public Health NHS Test and Trace  | Public task  |
| **For visitors:**  |  |  |  |
| Name  |  | NHS Test and Trace  | Public task  |
| Contact details  |  | NHS Test and Trace  | Public task  |