



# Park Hill Thorns Federation PTAs

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Dear Parents,

As you may already know, on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2018 the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) came into force. This replaced the Data Protection Act 1998 and is intended to improve the safety and security of personal data held by organisations, and make sure that people understand what information is held about them and why.

We have always taken great care of the personal information we hold about pupils and parents, but the new law meant that we took some further steps to formalise this. We first communicated these changes to all parents and carers in May 2019 and we are now sending this reminder.

1. Firstly, you should be aware that you have a number of rights under the GDPR. You have the right to:
  - Be informed about how we use your personal data.
  - Request access to the personal data that we hold.
  - Request that your personal data is amended if it is inaccurate or incomplete.
  - Ask us to erase your personal data if there is no compelling reason for its continued processing.
  - Request that the processing of your data is restricted.
  - Object to your personal data being processed.
2. On our websites shown below you will find the new policies relating to GDPR.

<http://www.thornsinfantschool.com/pta/>

and

<http://www.parkhilljuniorschool.co.uk/pta/welcome>

which explain in detail what personal data we hold, why we hold it and who we share it with. This also provides details of our Data Protection Officers (DPO) who can be contacted if you wish to make a request or complaint about your personal data. The privacy notice also explains about your rights to complain to the Information Commissioner's Office.

3. We will review our policies and procedures annually and publish any amendments via the school websites (accessed as above).

4. If anyone's personal data is likely to be significantly involved or affected when we develop new systems or introduce new technology, we will carry out a data protection impact assessment to ensure that privacy issues are addressed.
5. Your consent - Each time you provide the requested data to purchase tickets for a specific event we will deem that you have given us clear consent to use that data for the purposes of that event. It will only be used by the event organiser(s) and will not be used or shared for any other purpose.

If you would like any more information about GDPR, you can visit the Information Commissioner's website and in particular the [Guide to the General Data Protection Regulation](#) webpage.

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