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Dear Parent/ Carers,

Re: Changes to Data Protection Law

You may be aware that from the 25th May, the rules around data protection are changing. The 'General Data Protection Regulation' (GDPR) will change how we can use your personal data and keep it safe, and will strengthen your rights over your own data.

The point of this is to make sure sensitive or private information about yourselves and your children stays safe. Whilst it is similar to the current Data Protection Act in many ways, there are a few differences, so we need to make some changes at school in order to ensure we remain compliant. One of these changes is that we have updated our privacy notice. We have attached a copy for your information.

As you will see from this Privacy Notice most of the data which we collect and process is a result of Legal Interest, Vital Information or Public Task. However, some processing of data does not fall under these headings and therefore the new regulations require us to seek explicit consent. We have attached a Parental Permission form that outlines the websites and organisations we use, why they are used and what information we share with them confidentially and securely. We wish to stress that we are not asking to do anything new, we have used these organisations and websites for many years to aid teaching and learning. We would be grateful if you would kindly read, complete and return this document to the school office by Thursday 24th May 2018.

As part of our work to comply with GDPR, we are also *re-seeking* consent for *using photographs or videos of your child*. We have attached this form, and would appreciate it if you filled this out and returned it to the school office by Thursday 24th May 2018.

In addition we attach new Acceptable Use Policies for you and your child; if your child is in KS1 then please read this to them, if your child is in KS2 please ask them to read and sign the agreement. Please sign and return the relevant pages to the school office by the 24th May 2018.





We apologise for the quantity of documents we are requesting you to complete but as outlined above this is a legal requirement. We have supplied paper copies in order to make the process easier for you to complete. Please complete and return the documents by return to avoid any instances of your child being unable to take part in any activities due to consent not being given.



Your child will be rewarded with five team points and two stickers upon return of the duly completed documents.

If you have any questions about how GDPR affects you, or how our school is preparing, you can look at the GDPR tab on our school website, which contains all the school's GDPR Policies, and other key documents along with video links etc.

We thank you all in advance for your prompt response and for your continued support of your child and the school.

Yours Sincerely



Mrs McCarthy
Computing Coordinator

