

# **Znaniye Foundation**

**Charity 1101796**

## **GDPR Policy and Procedure 2024 - 2025**

### **Introduction**

Znaniye Foundation will comply with the demands of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) to be known as the Data Protection Act 2018.

Members of staff will gain familiarisation with the requirements of the GDPR through staff briefings and as part of their induction.

This policy follows guidance issued by the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) and the Department for Education (DfE).

The charity is a Data Controller as data is processed that is the personal information of pupils, families, staff, visitors and other users.

The charity is a Data Processor as it processes data on behalf of other public bodies such as the DfE.

### **Definitions**

#### **Data processing**

The acquisition, storage, processing and transmission of data.

#### **Data subject**

Any identifiable person whose data is processed.

#### **Consent**

Must be freely given, specific and an unambiguous indication of the subject's wishes. It must be recorded and available to an audit. A person must be 13 years old in order to record their consent.

#### **Cross-border processing**

The GDPR covers all EU states and will remain part of UK law (including post Brexit). Data cannot be stored beyond the EU and UK borders (the exact borders are those of the European Economic Area)

#### **Sensitive data**

The GDPR/ICO requires that particular care is taken with the following data

- Data regarding children
- Health (physical, mental, genetic)
- Ethnicity

- Religion
- Sexuality
- Performance management and trade union membership

### **Filing system**

Any structured set of personal data, however, stored in any format (physical or digital) that can be processed.

### **Personal data breach**

A breach of data security leading to accidental or unlawful destruction, loss, theft, alteration, unauthorised disclosure, destruction, sale or access to any processed data. Data subjects affected by a data breach must be informed of the breach within 72 hours. Breaches must be reported to the ICO within 72 hours

### **Pseudonymisation**

The act of making data anonymous. There must be security between pseudonymised data and any data that could re-identify a person.

### **Password protection**

The act of 'locking' a device or document. The information remains readable beyond the password.

### **Encryption**

The act of encoding all the information beyond a password or code.

### **Legal basis**

The charity decides, and registers with the ICO, upon which legal basis it processes data. As a public body with set duties, the charity uses the following bases for processing and controlling data.

Legal basis: **Public Task**

- Admissions
- Attendance
- Assessment
- Pupil and staff welfare
- Safe recruitment
- Staff training
- Performance Management

Legal basis: **Consent**

- Various uses of photographs and moving images
- Trade union membership
- Staff ethnicity, religion and health data (Note the Staff Privacy Statement)
- The use of data to promote the social life of the school community

Legal basis: **Contract**

- When processing is required to carry out the performance of a contract.

### **Personal data**

Anything that might lead to the identification of a person: name, number, characteristics, photograph, correspondence.

### **Data portability, data subject access request**

Data subjects (or a child's parents) may request access to a copy of all their data. The charity has established an efficient means of accomplishing this task which may not carry a charge and will be completed within 15 working days. Data subjects may request that data is brought up-to-date or made more accurate.

### **Principles**

- Personal data must be processed lawfully, fairly and transparently
- Personal data can only be collected for specific, explicit and legitimate purposes
- Personal data must be adequate, relevant and limited to what is necessary for processing
- Personal data must be accurate and kept up-to-date
- Personal data may identify the data subject only as long as is necessary for processing
- Personal data must be processed in a manner that ensures its security
- Any breaches in data security must be reported to the ICO within 72 hours
- The charity must report any breaches caused by third parties who have access to users' data within 72 hours.
- The charity must inform any data subject (person identified in data) where a data breach may have led to unauthorised access to their personal information

### **Roles and Responsibilities**

The charities Privacy Statements set out in detail how the school will maintain the security of charities users' data. The Acceptable Use Policies set out the duties of the staff and other school users in supporting data security.

Within events, the security of data is coordinated by Miss Evelyn (Evie) Hill.

The school has appointed an additional Data Protection Officer (DPO), Miss Evelyn Hill who has responsibility for overseeing the implementation of this policy and all GDPR-related documents.

The DPO will monitor compliance, report to the school leadership and support the school with updates and interpretations as the GDPR develops.

The DPO will liaise between the school and the ICO and must be informed as soon as is practicable of any personal data security breach.

The DPO will support the school in its communication with users (pupils, families, parents, governors, contractors and visitors) about the GDPR procedures. This will include the drafting of privacy statements, acceptable use policies and data subjects' rights.

Data subject requests should be made in writing to the DPO. The DPO might have to respond to any or all of the following

- Why the data is processed
- On which basis
- Who has seen it
- How long it will be stored for
- Where the data was sourced
- Whether decisions have been based on the data

Children below the age of 13 do not have the right to make a subject access request, so requests must be made by parents. The charity may take into account the views of a pupil.

**The DPO is**

**Evelyn Hill, Operations Manager / Designated Safeguarding Lead**

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The DPO's duties are set out in greater detail in the service level agreement and contract held between the charity and Safeguarding Monitor. Staff should contact the DPO should they believe that this policy and/or the privacy statements and/or the acceptable use policies are not being followed.

**Processing Records**

To meet recommendations that 'scrupulous records' are developed the school will record its processing of data and the results of its data audit should they be taken. It will record the ongoing security measures for physical and digital filing systems. Confirmation of compliance by third parties accessing any school user data will be recorded. In broad terms, the school will record which data has been processed (including deletions when data should no longer be stored) on a legal basis. Consent replies are recorded within the system.

**Sharing Data**

Personal data may be shared with third parties to

- protect the vital interests of a child
- protect the vital interests of a member of the staff
- To prevent or support the detection of fraud or other legal proceedings
- When required to do so by HMRC

## **CCTV**

CCTV is used to support the safety and security of the site and service users. Although consent is not required for its use, prominent notices inform users that CCTV is used within our sites.

## **Photographs and moving images**

Consent is requested from parents and staff for the use of images. Letters requesting consent outline the choices that pupils and staff may make for the use of their images.

The charity may seek consent to use photographs for the following purposes:

- To support school user welfare (identity and security)
- To celebrate achievement within the classroom
- To celebrate achievement within the charity (ie to trustees)
- To celebrate achievement in the printed press
- To celebrate achievements online

The school's specific data security measures

- All IT systems - mobile devices, laptops, tablets, mobile phones and any device capable of processing data, will be password protected.
- All IT systems will be kept securely; the server and hard disks will be in a locked cabinet in the head office, and the server room locked when the school is closed and at other times of reduced security; desktop computers and portable devices will be sited/stored in secure places.
- Staff are expected to ensure the safety of their allocated school devices: devices may not be left unattended in cars at any time and they must be kept out of sight if taken home.
- All passwords must be 'strong;' (at least 8 characters with a mixture of 3 characters, upper and lower case letters, numbers and symbols), the school will require regular changing of passwords for all SLT members.
- No passwords will be written down or shared; advice is available on the safe storage of passwords.
- The school will devise granulated levels of access as appropriate to staff responsibilities for access to personal data.
- Devices that are used to process sensitive data and/or are vulnerable to theft will be secured with encryption.
- All emails containing personal data will use school systems and be encrypted, email accounts and domains to be used, for all communication.
- All deleted data will be deleted in a secure manner: physical data will be shredded and digital data will be fully deleted with trash/junk emptied regularly. Hard disks no longer required will have the data on them deleted.
- Only data that is necessary for the effective performance of the school will be processed.

- K. Data protection will be integrated into all appropriate policies and procedures (e.g. staff induction and codes of conduct).
- L. Staff will be updated with any significant interpretations or developments of the GDPR.
- M. The school will have data impact assessments in place to protect vulnerable data subjects and sensitive data.
- N. Data contained within an email, or attached to an email, will be transferred to a secure folder and the email deleted.
- O. Physical data will be kept securely, having regard to the sensitivity of the data and the vulnerability of the data subject e.g. medical data will be accessible to those who need to support a school user's needs, but not to others.
- P. All school users will handle personal data with care: it will not be left unattended (unattended computers must be locked), school users will not allow others to oversee personal data (screens must be positioned with care); papers must not be left where others can see them.
- Q. All computers that might be used to process data will be set to lock (a screensaver will activate) after 30 minutes of inactivity.
- R. The Headteacher will approve who and how personal data is stored on mobile devices.
- S. All digital data that is stored will be backed up on at least password-protected devices.
- T. Personally owned devices will not be used for the storage of school personal data.

### **Data breaches**

All staff must report to Evie Hill, or the SLT, Patima Shareefy, or the DPO any suspected data breaches (the loss, theft, unauthorised access to data etc.) immediately. It will be for the HD/SLT/DPO to decide whether the suspected data breach warrants reporting to the ICO.

NB a data breach would include the accidental sharing of personal data via a wrongly addressed email.

### **Training**

All staff will receive basic training in the requirements of the GDPR. The training will be recorded in the data audit and/or the data processing records. The charity will keep staff and governors up to date with guidance, changes and interpretations of data protection law.

### **Data Protection Impact Assessment**

For the school's most sensitive data processing activities the school will have completed a RA to ensure that the risk to individuals of a data breach is minimised, as should be the risk to the school's reputation. Staff involved in processing the school's most sensitive data will have to record their reading and understanding of the relevant RA.

### **Monitoring**

The DPO and DDPO will lead the formal monitoring of the charity's compliance with the GDPR. Every member of staff and governor shares a responsibility to monitor compliance and to report any suspected failures to comply.

### **Footnotes**

Data subjects' rights include:

- The right to be informed

- The right to access
- The right to object
- The right to be forgotten (this might prove impossible in the school context)
- The right of rectification (any inaccurate data must be corrected)

In deciding whether to pass on a suspected data breach to the ICO the DPO will consider whether the data breach might affect a person's

- Reputation
- Confidentiality
- Financial wellbeing
- A loss of control over their data
- Make them vulnerable to discrimination
- Their rights and freedoms

Policy approved by the Governing Body

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