

## PRIVACY NOTICE 2020

### *Parents/Carers of The Gower School Pupils*

#### Privacy Notice – General Data Protection Regulation 2018

The Gower School is the data controller for the purposes of the General Data Protection Regulation. We collect information from you and may receive information about you from your previous school, or nursery and Islington Council. We hold this personal data and use/share it to:

- Support pupils' teaching and learning;
- Monitor and report on pupil progress;
- Provide appropriate pastoral care;
- Contribute to improving pupil health and reducing inequalities
- Undertake statistical forecasting and planning; and
- Assess how well The School is performing.

This information includes parental contact details, national curriculum assessment results, attendance information modes of travel and personal characteristics such as ethnic group, any special educational needs and relevant medical information.

The school is protected by CCTV in some spaces but not in toilet cubicles or changing areas.

If we have received your permission, then we may store and share photographs or video for use in our news stories, on our website or prospectus.

We collect and use this information in order to meet the school's legitimate interest in providing an education, safeguarding pupil welfare and in ensuring that the school complies with its legal obligations. Whilst most of the information provided is mandatory, we rely on consent to use some data including photographs, video and biometric data.

***We will not give information about pupils, parents or guardians to anyone outside the school without their consent unless the law allows us to.***

We are required by law to pass some information about pupils to the Local Authority and the Department for Education (DfE).

Under data protection legislation, parents and pupils have the right to request access to information about them that the school holds. To make a request for your personal information or be given access to your child's educational record please contact the school office.

If you require more information about how the Local Authority (LA) and/or DfE store and use your information, then please go to the following websites:

#### **For Islington Council:**

The Council has their own privacy notice, which can be accessed via the following link:

<https://www.islington.gov.uk/about-the-council/information-governance/data-protection/privacy-notice/children-employment-and-skills-privacy-notice>

and

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**For the DfE:**

<https://www.gov.uk/data-protection-how-we-collect-and-share-research-data>

If you are unable to access these websites we can send you a copy of this information. Please contact the CPO or DfE as follows:

- Public Communications Unit  
Department for Education  
Sanctuary Buildings  
Great Smith Street  
London  
SW1P 3BT  
Website: <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-education>  
email: <http://www.education.gov.uk/help/contactus>  
Telephone: 0370 000 2288

The Gower School is registered as the Data Controller with the Information Commissioners Office. Our registration number is Z2037862.

For more information please see the Pupil Privacy Notice. If you have any questions, please contact the school's Chief Privacy Officer (HR Manager) via the school office.

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