

# MILVERTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

## DATA PROTECTION POLICY



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## 1. Aims

Milverton Primary School aims to ensure that all personal data collected about staff, pupils, parents, governors, visitors and other individuals is collected, stored and processed in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and the Data Protection Act 2018 (DPA 2018).

This policy applies to all personal data, regardless of whether it is in paper or electronic format.

## 2. Legislation and guidance

This policy meets the requirements of the GDPR and the provisions of the DPA 2018. It is based on guidance published by the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) on the GDPR and the ICO's code of practice for subject access requests.

It also reflects the ICO's code of practice for the use of surveillance cameras and personal information.

In addition, this policy complies with regulation 5 of the Education (Pupil Information) (England) Regulations 2005, which gives parents the right of access to their child's educational record.

## 3. Definitions

Term	Definition
<b>Personal data</b>	Any information relating to an identified, or identifiable, individual.  This may include the individual's: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Name (including initials)</li><li>• Identification number</li><li>• Location data</li><li>• Online identifier, such as a username</li></ul> It may also include factors specific to the individual's physical, physiological, genetic, mental, economic, cultural or social identity.
<b>Special categories of personal data</b>	Personal data which is more sensitive and so needs more protection, including information about an individual's: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Racial or ethnic origin</li><li>• Political opinions</li><li>• Religious or philosophical beliefs</li><li>• Trade union membership</li><li>• Genetics</li><li>• Biometrics (such as fingerprints, retina and iris patterns), where used for identification purposes</li><li>• Health – physical or mental</li></ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sex life or sexual orientation</li> </ul>
<b>Processing</b>	<p>Anything done to personal data, such as collecting, recording, organising, structuring, storing, adapting, altering, retrieving, using, disseminating, erasing or destroying.</p> <p>Processing can be automated or manual.</p>
<b>Data subject</b>	The identified or identifiable individual whose personal data is held or processed.
<b>Data controller</b>	A person or organisation that determines the purposes and the means of processing of personal data.
<b>Data processor</b>	A person or other body, other than an employee of the data controller, who processes personal data on behalf of the data controller.
<b>Personal data breach</b>	A breach of security leading to the accidental or unlawful destruction, loss, alteration, unauthorised disclosure of, or access to personal data.

## 4. The data controller

Milverton Primary School processes personal data relating to parents, pupils, staff, governors, volunteers, visitors and others, and therefore is a data controller.

Milverton Primary School is registered as a data controller with the ICO and will renew this registration annually or as otherwise legally required.

## 5. Roles and responsibilities

This policy applies to **all staff** employed by Milverton Primary School and to external organisations, volunteers and other individuals working on our behalf. Staff who do not comply with this policy may face disciplinary action.

### 5.1 Governing Board

The governing board has overall responsibility for ensuring that Milverton Primary School complies with all relevant data protection obligations.

### 5.2 Data Protection Officer

The data protection officer (DPO) is responsible for providing advice and guidance to Milverton Primary School in order to assist Milverton Primary School to implement this policy, monitor compliance with data protection law, and develop related policies and guidelines where applicable.

The DPO will carry out an annual audit of Milverton Primary School's data processing activities and report to the Governing Board their advice and recommendations on school data protection issues.

The DPO is also the first point of contact for individuals whose data the school processes, and for the ICO. Our DPO is the School DPO Service and is contactable via [schooldpo@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:schooldpo@warwickshire.gov.uk) or alternatively;

School Data Protection Officer  
Warwickshire Legal Services  
Warwickshire County Council  
Shire Hall  
Market Square  
Warwick  
CV34 4RL

### **5.3 Headteacher**

The headteacher acts as the representative of the data controller on a day-to-day basis.

### **5.4 Head teacher and School Bursar – Data Protection Champions**

Milverton Primary School has nominated the following individuals as designated persons to be contacted internally in relation to all matters relating to data protection issues, and to make referrals, where necessary, to the Data Protection Officer:

Matt Fisher who is contactable via [head@milvertonprimaryschool.co.uk](mailto:head@milvertonprimaryschool.co.uk) and 01926 424043

Louisa Wallace who is contactable via [office@milvertonprimaryschool.co.uk](mailto:office@milvertonprimaryschool.co.uk)

### **5.5 All staff**

All members of staff are responsible for:

- Collecting, storing and processing any personal data in accordance with this policy
- Informing the school of any changes to their personal data, such as a change of address
- Contacting the designated Data Protection Champion in the following circumstances:
  - With any questions about the operation of this policy, data protection law, retaining personal data or keeping personal data secure
  - If they have any concerns that this policy is not being followed
  - If they are unsure whether or not they have a lawful basis to use personal data in a particular way
  - If they need to rely on or capture consent, draft a privacy notice, deal with data protection rights invoked by an individual, or transfer personal data outside the European Economic Area
  - If there has been a data breach
  - Whenever they are engaging in a new activity that may affect the privacy rights of individuals
  - If they need help with any contracts or sharing personal data with third parties

## **6. Data Protection Principles**

The GDPR is based on data protection principles that Milverton Primary School must comply with.

Milverton Primary School has adopted the principles to underpin its Data Protection Policy:

The principles require that all personal data shall be:

(1) processed lawfully, fairly and in a transparent manner ('lawfulness, fairness and transparency');

(2) used for specified, explicit and legitimate purposes ('purpose limitation');

(3) used in a way that is adequate, relevant and limited to what is necessary ('data minimisation');

(4) accurate and, where necessary, kept up to date; every reasonable step must be taken to ensure that personal data that are inaccurate, are erased or rectified without delay ('accuracy');

(5) kept no longer than is necessary ('storage limitation');

(6) processed in a manner that ensures it is safe and secure, ensuring that measures against unauthorised or unlawful processing and against accidental loss, destruction or damage are in place ('integrity and confidentiality').

This policy sets out how Milverton Primary School aims to comply with these principles.

## 7. Collecting personal data

### 7.1 Lawfulness, fairness and transparency

Milverton Primary School shall only process personal data where it has one of 5 'lawful bases' (legal reasons) available to Milverton Primary School to do so under data protection law:

- The data needs to be processed so that the school can **fulfil a contract** with the individual, or the individual has asked the school to take specific steps before entering into a contract
- The data needs to be processed so that the school can **comply with a legal obligation**
- The data needs to be processed to ensure the **vital interests** of the individual e.g. to protect someone's life
- The data needs to be processed so that the school, as a public authority, can perform a task **in the public interest**, and carry out its official functions
- The individual (or their parent/carer when appropriate in the case of a pupil) has freely given clear **consent**

For special categories of personal data, we will also meet one of the special category conditions for processing which are set out in the GDPR and Data Protection Act 2018.

If we offer online services to pupils, such as classroom apps, and we intend to rely on consent as a basis for processing, we will get parental consent (except for online counselling and preventive services).

Whenever we first collect personal data directly from individuals, we will provide them with the relevant information required by data protection law.

### 7.2 Limitation, minimisation and accuracy

We will only collect personal data for specified, explicit and legitimate reasons. We will explain these reasons to the individuals when we first collect their data.

If we want to use personal data for reasons other than those given when we first obtained it, we will inform the individuals concerned before we do so, and seek consent where necessary.

Staff must only process personal data where it is necessary in order to do their jobs.

When staff no longer need the personal data they hold, they must ensure it is deleted or anonymised. This will be done in accordance with guidance set out in the Information and Records Management Society's toolkit for schools.

## 8. Sharing personal data

We will not normally share personal data with anyone else except as set out in the Milverton Primary School's Privacy Notice. GDPR and the DPA 2018 also allow information to be shared where:

- There is an issue with a pupil or parent/carer that puts the safety of our staff at risk
- We need to liaise with other agencies – we will seek consent as necessary before doing this
- Our suppliers or contractors need data to enable us to provide services to our staff and pupils – for example, IT companies. When doing this, we will:
  - Only appoint suppliers or contractors which can provide sufficient guarantees that they comply with data protection law
  - Establish a data sharing agreement with the supplier or contractor, either in the contract or as a standalone agreement, to ensure the fair and lawful processing of any personal data we share
  - Only share data that the supplier or contractor needs to carry out their service, and information necessary to keep them safe while working with us

We will also share personal data with law enforcement and government bodies where we are legally required to do so, including for:

- The prevention or detection of crime and/or fraud
- The apprehension or prosecution of offenders
- The assessment or collection of tax owed to HMRC
- In connection with legal proceedings
- Where the disclosure is required to satisfy our safeguarding obligations
- Research and statistical purposes, as long as personal data is sufficiently anonymised or consent has been provided

We may also share personal data with emergency services and local authorities to help them to respond to an emergency situation that affects any of our pupils or staff.

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.

## 9. Subject access requests and other rights of individuals

### 9.1 Subject access requests

Individuals have a right to make a 'subject access request' to gain access to personal information that the school holds about them. This includes:

- Confirmation that their personal data is being processed
- Access to a copy of the data
- The purposes of the data processing
- The categories of personal data concerned
- Who the data has been, or will be, shared with
- How long the data will be stored for, or if this isn't possible, the criteria used to determine this period
- The source of the data, if not the individual
- Whether any automated decision-making is being applied to their data, and what the significance and consequences of this might be for the individual

Subject access requests may be submitting in writing or verbally and can be sent either to the Data Protection Officer, a member of staff or a Governor / Trustee. To enable the request to be accurately responded to, the applicant should be encouraged to make the request in writing and to set out:

- Name of individual
- Name of School
- Correspondence address
- Contact number and email address
- Details of the information requested

The DPO will send the subject access request to the Data Protection Champion. If staff receive a subject access request they must immediately forward it to the head teacher, who will ensure that the DPO is informed.

Information to be released will be collated by Milverton Primary School and then sent to the DPO for checking and sending out to the applicant.

## **9.2 Children and subject access requests**

Personal data about a child belongs to that child, and not the child's parents or carers. For a parent or carer to make a subject access request with respect to their child, the person should have parental responsibility for the child, and the child must either be unable to understand their rights and the implications of a subject access request, or have given their consent.

Children below the age of 13 are generally not regarded to be mature enough to understand their rights and the implications of a subject access request. Therefore, subject access requests from those with parental responsibility for pupils at our school will in general be granted without requiring the express permission of the pupil.

These are not fixed rules and a pupil's ability to understand their rights will always be judged on a case-by-case basis.

## **9.3 Responding to subject access requests**

When responding to requests, we:

- May ask the individual to provide 2 forms of identification
- May contact the individual via phone to confirm the request was made
- Will respond without delay and within 1 month of receipt of the request
- Will provide the information free of charge
- May tell the individual we will comply within 3 months of receipt of the request, where a request is complex or numerous, or where it is impractical to comply within a month due to school closure. We will inform the individual of this within 1 month, and explain why the extension is necessary

We will not disclose information if it:

- Might cause serious harm to the physical or mental health of the pupil or another individual
- Would reveal that the child is at risk of abuse, where the disclosure of that information would not be in the child's best interests
- Is contained in adoption or parental order records
- Is given to a court in proceedings concerning the child

If the request is unfounded or excessive, we may refuse to act on it, or charge a reasonable fee which takes into account administrative costs.

A request will be deemed to be unfounded or excessive if, for example, it is repetitive, or asks for further copies of the same information.

When we refuse a request, we will tell the individual why, and tell them they have the right to complain to the ICO.

#### **9.4 Other data protection rights of the individual**

In addition to the right to make a subject access request (see above), and to receive information when we are collecting their data about how we use and process it (see section 7), individuals also have the right to:

- Withdraw their consent to processing at any time, where processing is based on the consent of the pupil or parent
- Ask us to rectify, erase or restrict processing of their personal data, or object to the processing of it (in certain circumstances)
- Prevent use of their personal data for direct marketing
- Challenge processing which has been justified on the basis of public interest
- Request a copy of agreements under which their personal data is transferred outside of the European Economic Area
- Object to decisions based solely on automated decision making or profiling (decisions taken with no human involvement, that might negatively affect them)
- Prevent processing that is likely to cause damage or distress
- Be notified of a data breach in certain circumstances
- Make a complaint to the ICO
- Ask for their personal data to be transferred to a third party in a structured, commonly used and machine-readable format (in certain circumstances)

Individuals should submit any request to exercise these rights to the DPO. If staff receive such a request, they must immediately forward it to the Data Protection Champion who will send it to the DPO for information purposes.

## **10. Parental requests to see the educational record**

Parents, or those with parental responsibility, have a legal right to free access to their child's educational record (which includes most information about a pupil) within 15 school days of receipt of a written request.

## **11. CCTV**

We use CCTV in various locations around the school site to ensure it remains safe. We will adhere to the ICO's code of practice for the use of CCTV.

We do not need to ask individuals' permission to use CCTV, but we make it clear where individuals are being recorded. Security cameras are clearly visible and accompanied by prominent signs explaining that CCTV is in use.

Any enquiries about the CCTV system should be directed to Matt Fisher, Headteacher

## 12. Photographs and videos

As part of our school activities, Milverton Primary School may take photographs and record images of individuals within the School.

Milverton Primary School will obtain written consent from parents/carers for photographs and videos to be taken of their child for communication, marketing and promotional materials. We will clearly explain how the photograph and/or video will be used to both the parent/carer and pupil.

Where Milverton Primary School needs parental consent, it shall clearly explain how the photograph and/or video will be used to both the parent/carer and pupil. Where Milverton Primary School don't need parental consent, it shall clearly explain to the pupil how the photograph and/or video will be used.

Uses may include:

- Within school on notice boards and in school magazines, brochures, newsletters, etc.
- Outside of school by external agencies such as the school photographer, newspapers, campaigns
- Online on our school website or social media pages

Consent can be refused or withdrawn at any time. If consent is withdrawn, we will delete the photograph or video and not distribute it further.

When using photographs and videos in this way we will not accompany them with any other personal information about the child, to ensure they cannot be identified.

See our child protection and safeguarding policy for more information on our use of photographs and videos.

## 13. Data protection by design and default

Milverton Primary School shall put measures in place to show that it has integrated data protection into all of its data processing activities, including:

- Appointing a suitably qualified DPO, and ensuring they have the necessary resources to fulfil their duties and maintain their expert knowledge
- Only processing personal data that is necessary for each specific purpose of processing, and always in line with the data protection principles set out in relevant data protection law (see section 6)
- Completing privacy impact assessments where the school's processing of personal data presents a high risk to rights and freedoms of individuals, and when introducing new technologies (the DPO will advise on this process)
- Integrating data protection into internal documents including this policy, any related policies and privacy notices
- Training members of staff on data protection law, this policy, any related policies and any other data protection matters; we will also keep a record of attendance
- Regularly conducting reviews and audits to test our privacy measures and make sure we are compliant
- Maintaining records of our processing activities, including:
  - For the benefit of data subjects, making available the name and contact details of our school and DPO and all information we are required to share about how we use and process their personal data (via our privacy notices)
  - For all personal data that we hold, maintaining an internal record of the type of data, data subject, how and why we are using the data, any third-party recipients, how and why we are storing the data, retention periods and how we are keeping the data secure

## 14. Data security and storage of records

Milverton primary School will protect personal data and keep it safe from unauthorised or unlawful access, alteration, processing or disclosure, and against accidental or unlawful loss, destruction or damage. All staff must be aware of the School's Data Protection policy and apply it to all personal information and images stored in paper files or electronically, in particular where there is responsibility for recording, managing and accessing personal information and data.

### Paper information

- Keep clear desks as this is an obvious way of preventing any confidentiality problems arising from having pupils or other staff members at desks, or disclosure when desks are left unattended. A clear desk will help to protect against the disclosure of information.
- Confidential documents must not be left on display or unsupervised.
- Store confidential information in locked cabinets, returning them to these cabinets when not required.
- Take measures to prevent accidental damage to important documents, for example, through the spillage of liquids.
- Do not leave paper by printers or photocopiers where other people may take it or read it accidentally.
- Spoiled photocopies and prints may still be confidential. Do not put them straight into the waste paper bin, dispose of them as confidential waste. Always check that originals have been removed from the device as well as copies.
- Dispose of confidential paper by shredding or put in a confidential waste bag and follow confidential waste disposal procedure. Do not dispose of confidential waste in a waste paper bin or anywhere else.
- Destroying information earlier than necessary may be a breach of the law so it is important that retention periods are checked before destroying any records.

### Electronic information

- All confidential information must be stored on approved electronic devices or systems with access controlled/restricted, e.g. the school network, Google drive with appropriate restricted access, and approved systems.
- Confidential information must not be stored on local unencrypted hard drives.
- If confidential information has to be transferred to other portable media, such as USB stick or memory cards, it must be encrypted with appropriate security software
- PC screens/laptops/tablets must be sited away from public areas so that pupils and visitors cannot read the screens, e.g. through windows or while waiting in public areas.
- Notebook PCs, handhelds or any other portable ICT device must not be left unattended in any public area
- Individual user id/passwords must not be shared with anyone, including other staff members and governors, and do not use anyone else's password. You as an individual are responsible for all transactions undertaken on the network using your network id.
- Passwords must not be written down and left with any equipment or accessible by anyone else.
- Make passwords hard for anyone else to guess by incorporating numbers and mixed case into it. Some systems will force this already.
- Lock screens whenever leaving any ICT equipment unattended. This will prevent anyone accessing any restricted information on the equipment while it is unattended.
- If you find you have access to confidential information that you believe should be restricted, you should notify the headteacher immediately.

- Staff, pupils or governors who store personal information on their personal devices are expected to follow the same security procedures as for school-owned equipment (see the technical security policy)
- Where we need to share personal data with a third party, we carry out due diligence and take reasonable steps to ensure it is stored securely and adequately protected
- The Register of Data Controllers Entry register is updated if personal information is processed differently or used for a new or different purpose, e.g. CCTV.
- The purpose(s) for holding data and retention periods will be reviewed with the Policy.
- All Personal data recorded will be stored, processed, transferred, deleted or destroyed and made available according to the school policy.
- If staff forward personal information via email secure procedures outlined in the esafety policy will be followed.
- All personal and sensitive information stored electronically will be held in secure files which will be encrypted and/or password protected as appropriate, including archived records.
- Information stored in all other forms other than electronically including archived records, will be kept secure.
- Only authorised persons may access or process secure files. All authorised staff must keep passwords secure and not share these with any other person.
- Access to any personal/sensitive information is not permitted in a public place.
- All archiving, deletion or destruction of information will be in accordance with school procedures.
- No personal/sensitive information may be downloaded to any personal device
- Information downloaded will be protected. Only encrypted memory sticks provided by the school may be used
- Downloads onto mobile devices other than school equipment, which is password protected is not permitted.
- When using information staff must work in a secure environment and not a public place.
- The School backs up information systems on a daily basis using WES ICT Services
- In order to assist in managing the responsibility for all areas of data protection compliance for personal information stored off the school site the school follows DfE advice on the use of Cloud software.
- The school remains the data controller for all information stored by the Certified Systems Professional and has verified that the processing carried out by the CSP complies with the GDPR and they may only act on the instruction of a duly authorised member of the school staff.
- There is a Data Processing Agreement with the Cloud services provider. The school's data handling requirements are confirmed by contract.
- A Privacy Impact Assessment is carried out when selecting services, processes, recording or monitoring systems that require compliance.
- A Privacy Notice to let people know how personal information is used or processed is maintained and kept reviewed. This is available on the school's website.

## **Receiving, sending and sharing information**

### **Post – receiving and sending**

- Post should be opened and dealt with away from public areas and securely, if dealing with confidential information. Do not leave unsealed confidential documents in open post trays and 'pigeon holes'.
- Staff must ensure that any mail to an individual marked: Private, Confidential or Personal, or any combination, is only passed to the named recipient unless a prior delegation arrangement has been made.

- If outgoing post contains confidential information to an individual, the envelope should be marked as 'Private and confidential' and 'to be opened by addressee only'. A return address must be shown on the envelope and you should consider double bagging the package.
- Print each letter separately making use of any printing security and use window envelopes. Check the address is the current, correct one – don't copy previous letters. Double check that the letter and papers are for the correct recipient and address.
- When using a mailshot or multiple mailings, have a procedure in place to check you haven't included anyone else's personal information in the wrong envelope. Another person or supervisor should check mailings against address lists and sign-off before dispatch.
- Consider using signed for/tracked post, if it contains sensitive or confidential documents and/or the volume justifies secure delivery.
- Post containing very high risk/Confidential-Restricted information should only be sent to a named person and use of tracked and signed for mail or a courier to deliver to the name person with signature of receipt.
- If post goes astray or is issued to the incorrect address, notify your line manager immediately and if the information contains personal or confidential information report using the security incident procedure.

### **Email and Other Electronic Communications (e.g. text messages) – receiving and sending**

- The school does not have total control over emails received, so staff must be aware of the dangers of opening messages from unknown or untrusted sources. Do not click on links in emails unless you know they are from a trusted source and never provide passwords in response to email requests.
- If you are not the intended recipient, the sender should be informed that the message has not reached its intended destination and has been deleted.
- Check the email address is the correct one – there are staff with similar names and your email contacts will also have external email contacts. Double check that the email is for the correct recipient before sending.
- If sending to a list/group of parents or others, send using 'blind copy' (bcc) so the recipients are not copied in to a large list. This especially applies to mailshots.
- Confidential and Confidential-Restricted information must not be emailed externally using normal email unless;
  - a) you are using an encrypted email service, or
  - b) the information is encrypted / password protected in an attachment, or
  - c) you are sending to an approved email address, e.g. a school welearn email address, or
  - d) you are sending to an e-mail address which utilises the same server – for schools which use the 'welearn' e-mail system this includes all other schools with this system as well as Warwickshire County Council.
- Records of personal data sent by email or other electronic communications (internal or external) are accessible to the data subject if they request access under the GDPR. If a permanent record is required they should be saved to the appropriate file and the email removed from the email inbox. Do not use personal email as a permanent filing system for pupil, parent or staff records. When a member of staff leaves or moves to another job, the line manager must go through the Leavers Checklist and save and secure any emails needed to be kept as records.
- Confidential email must not be forwarded to your own personal email account for private use.

### **Telephone calls**

- Ensure that you are talking to who you think you are speaking with by verifying their details. It may be appropriate to call them back to verify their credentials.

- If it becomes necessary to leave the phone for any reason, put the caller on hold so that they cannot hear other potentially confidential conversations that may be going on in the office.
- If the call received or being made is of a confidential or sensitive nature, consider who else may be listening to the conversation.
- If a message needs to be taken and left on someone's desk, ensure that these messages do not themselves contain confidential information.
- Do not leave confidential messages on an answer machine as these can be reviewed by people other than the intended person.

## Conversations

- Staff should remember that even though they may be on school premises there may be pupils and visitors around.
- When having a meeting or interview with someone where confidential information will be discussed, ensure that there is sufficient privacy. Check that the room is suitable.
- Confidential information should only be discussed with colleagues who need to know the information in order to carry out their job.
- Always consider your surroundings and the proximity of others who may be able to hear in public places.

## Working Away from School

The purpose of this section is to ensure that information assets and information processing facilities, used to access personal and confidential information, are adequately protected with logical, physical and environmental controls.

This includes working away from the school, at home and use of own devices to access personal and confidential information.

Work-related information must not be kept permanently at home. Wherever staff are working on, or in possession of, work-related information they are responsible for it, e.g. in school, on the phone, at home, en route to or from school or home, at meetings, conferences, etc. If confidential information is handed out in conferences or meetings, the same person is responsible for collecting it back in at the end, or ensuring it is only in the hands of those authorised to keep it.

- Take only the confidential papers/files with you that you need and keep out of sight in a bag, do not carry around loose or in clear folder.
- Managers must ensure a log is kept of which confidential paper case files/records staff are taking from school and when they are returned.
- Store confidential paper files/records securely in an envelope or bag. Try to use electronic files on an encrypted device or access via secure connection to the network or approved storage location instead.
- Keeping information in cars: lock away paper files and equipment (laptop/notebook) in the boot, do not leave overnight. Take only the equipment/papers/files with you that you need, leave rest locked away.
- Travelling by public transport: make sure you take all information and equipment when leaving. Be aware of conversations on mobile phone about personal and confidential information.
- Use of Laptops: Only school issued devices may be used. Do not write down passwords/pin numbers. You must not use the 'remember me' option to save user and password details on your device when

accessing system. Make sure these are un-ticked and sign out/logout after using a system. Do not save login or passwords if asked. Remember any confidential files opened may be downloaded before closing down your device, so delete them from 'downloads'. If files are not accessed directly (e.g. Google drive format files), then all confidential files must be stored and accessed locally via an approved encrypted media.

- Working at home: Store paper and equipment securely after use, as you would your own personal valuables. Don't leave open confidential files on a table. Lock screen on laptop/tablet and close down after use. All confidential information must be safeguarded from access, no matter how unintentional, by anyone who has no need to know such as family and friends. This would be an unauthorised disclosure. Don't leave any equipment or information in a car overnight at home, bring into the house and secure. Don't bin confidential information at home, bring back into an office for confidential waste disposal. Use strong security on a home WiFi connection.

### **Premises security**

- Make sure that all visitors sign in and out at all times and disclose who they are coming to see.
- Visitors should be supervised at all times and display a visitor/contractor ID badge.
- Staff should be encouraged to challenge anyone in the school if they do not know who they are, e.g. if they are not accompanied by a member of staff or they are not wearing an ID badge.
- Staff should be aware of anyone they do not know attempting to follow them through a security door and if appropriate be prepared to escort them back to reception if necessary.
- Managers should ensure that all paper based records and any records held on computers are adequately protected. Risk assessments should identify any potential threats and an appropriate risk management strategy should be produced
- Parents and others who do not want to discuss their private matters with a receptionist in a public area should be offered the opportunity to be seen elsewhere.

### **Portable Media Devices**

The purpose of this section is to establish control requirements for the use of removable media devices within and across Milverton. Portable media devices include, but are not limited to USB sticks or memory cards.

- Connection of non Milverton-supplied removable media devices to the computing infrastructure is only permitted for the purpose of reading files from the device; files must not be written to a non Milverton -supplied device.
- Staff must not alter or disable any controls applied to any computing device by the IT Service as part of the deployment of a removable media device.
- Removable media devices must not be used for the primary long-term storage of information.
- All information classified as 'Confidential' or 'personal' that is stored on a removable media device must be encrypted.

### **Anti-Malware**

The purpose of this section is to establish requirements, which must be met by all devices within the schools computing infrastructure, to protect the confidentiality, integrity and availability of software and information assets from the effects of malware.

- Unless undertaken by or following instruction from IT support staff, staff must not disable anti-malware software running on, or prevent updates being applied to devices.
- The intentional introduction of viruses to the computing infrastructure will be regarded as a serious disciplinary matter.
- Only software that has been authorised by AG, CH or MF can be installed upon systems.

- Each member of staff is responsible for immediately reporting any abnormal behaviour of computing systems to the the computing lead
- Prior to any encryption, all files must be scanned for and cleaned of viruses before being sent to any third party.

### **Access Control**

- Access to information shall be restricted to users who have an authorised need to access the information.
- Users of information will have no more access privileges than necessary to be able to fulfil their role.
- All requests for access to Milverton computer systems must be via a formal request to Alastair Geddes.
- Milverton reserves the right to revoke access to any or all of its computer systems at any time.
- Users must not circumvent the permissions granted to their accounts in order to gain unauthorised access to information resources.
- Users must not allow anyone else to use their account, or use their computers while logged in with their account.
- Computer screens should be 'locked' or the user logged out before leaving any workstation or device unattended.
- Users should not leave workstations or devices in 'sleep mode' for convenience.

### **Monitoring System Access and Use**

The purpose of this section is to establish control requirements for the monitoring and logging of information security related events relating to the use of Milverton's information and information systems.

An audit trail of system access and staff data use shall be maintained and reviewed on a regular basis. Milverton will put in place routines to regularly audit compliance with this and other policies. In addition it reserves the right to monitor activity where it suspects that there has been a breach of policy.

Any monitoring will be undertaken in accordance with the Human Rights Act and any other applicable law.

## **15. Disposal of records**

Personal data that is no longer needed will be disposed of securely. Personal data that has become inaccurate or out of date will also be disposed of securely, where we cannot or do not need to rectify or update it.

For example, Milverton Primary School will shred or incinerate paper-based records, and overwrite or delete electronic files. We may also use a third party to safely dispose of records on the school's behalf. If we do so, we will require the third party to provide sufficient guarantees that it complies with data protection law.

## **16. Personal data breaches**

Milverton Primary School shall take all reasonable steps to ensure that there are no personal data breaches.

In the unlikely event of a suspected data breach, we will follow the procedure set out in Appendix 1.

When appropriate, Milverton Primary School shall report the data breach to the ICO within 72 hours. Such breaches in a Milverton Primary School context may include, but are not limited to:

- A non-anonymised dataset being published on the school website which shows the exam results of pupils eligible for the pupil premium
- Safeguarding information being made available to an unauthorised person
- The theft of a school laptop containing non-encrypted personal data about pupils

## 17. Training

All staff and governors are provided with data protection training as part of their induction process.

Data protection will also form part of continuing professional development, where changes to legislation, guidance or the school's processes make it necessary.

## 18. Links with other policies

This data protection policy is linked to our:

- Child protection and safeguarding policy
- E-safety technical security policy
- E-safety policy
- Security Policy

## • Appendix 1: Personal data breach procedures

If staff become aware that information has not been handled according to procedures and there is a data breach or potential security incident, they must report it in accordance with this procedure.

When appropriate, the Milverton Primary School will report the data breach to the ICO within 72 hours in accordance with the requirements of the GDPR.

1. Data protection breaches occur where personal data is lost, damaged, destroyed, stolen, misused and/or accessed unlawfully.
2. Examples of how a breach may occur include:
  - a. Theft of data or equipment on which data is stored;
  - b. Loss of data or equipment on which data is stored;
  - c. Inappropriate access controls allowing unauthorised use;
  - d. Accidental Loss;
  - e. Destruction of personal data;
  - f. Damage to personal data;
  - g. Equipment failure;
  - h. Unlawful disclosure of personal data to a third party;
  - i. Human error;
  - j. Unforeseen circumstances such as fire or flood;
  - k. Hacking attack; or
  - l. 'Blagging' offences where information is obtained by deceiving the organisation which holds it.
3. If any member of staff of Milverton Primary School or Governor, discovers that data has been lost, or believes that there has been a breach of the data protection principles in the way that data is handled, you must immediately or no later than within 24 hours of first coming to notice, inform the Milverton Primary School's Data Protection Champion.
4. Upon being notified, Milverton Primary School's Data Protection Champion will assess whether a breach of personal information has occurred, and the level of severity. If a breach has occurred but the risk of harm to any individual is low (for example, because no personal information has left the control of the Milverton Primary School, then the Milverton Primary School's Data Protection Champion will undertake an internal investigation to consider whether the Information Security Policy was followed, and whether any alterations need to be made to internal procedures as a result.
5. In all other cases, the incident must be notified to the Data Protection Officer immediately, who must follow the Information Commissioner's Office guidelines on notification and recording of the breach. The priority must then be to close or contain the breach to mitigate / minimise the risks to those individuals affected by it.

All Milverton Primary School staff and Governors are expected to work in partnership with the Data Protection Champion and the Data Protection Officer in relation to the following matters

### **Notification of Breaches**

Any member of staff or Governor who becomes aware of a personal information breach should provide full details to the Data Protection Champion for Milverton Primary School within 24 hours of being made aware of the breach. The Data Protection Champion will then complete the Data Breach Record Form and Incident Log. When completing the form details should be provided of the reporter's name, the date/time of the breach, the date/time of detecting the breach, and basic information about the type of breach and

information about personal data concerned. Details of what has already been done to respond to the risks posed by the breach should also be included.

## **Containment and Recovery**

The initial response is to investigate and contain the situation and a recovery plan including, damage limitation. You may need input from specialists such as IT, HR and legal and in some cases contact with external third parties.

- Seek assistance in the containment exercise. This could be isolating or closing a compromised section of the network, recovery of released documents, finding a lost piece of equipment or simply changing any related access codes
- Establish whether there is anything you can do to recover any losses and limit the damage the breach can cause.
- As well as the physical recovery of equipment, this could involve the use of backup records to restore lost or damaged data or ensuring that staff recognise when someone tries to use stolen data to access accounts.
- Consider whether any individual affected by the data breach should be notified

## **Assessing the Risks**

Levels of risk can be very different and vary on an individual breach of data security depending what is lost/damaged/stolen. For example, if a case file is lost then risks are different depending on type of data and its sensitivity with potential adverse consequences for individuals. The Data Protection Champion should consider the following points:

- What type of data is involved?
- How sensitive is the data?
- If data has been lost or stolen, are there any protections in place such as encryption?
- What has happened to the data?
- If data has been stolen, could it be used for purposes which are harmful to the individuals to whom the data relate? If it has been damaged, this poses a different type and level of risk.
- Regardless of what has happened to the data, what could the data tell a third party about the individual? Sensitive data could mean very little to an opportunistic laptop thief while the loss of apparently trivial snippets of information could help a determined fraudster build up a detailed picture of other people
- How many individuals' personal data has been affected by the breach?
- Who are the individuals whose data has been breached?
- What harm can come to those individuals?
- Are there risks to physical safety or reputation, of financial loss or a combination of these and other aspects of their life?
- Are there wider consequences to consider such as a risk to life?
- Loss of public confidence in the Milverton Primary School

All staff and Governors should establish whether there is anything they can do to recover any losses and limit the damage the breach can cause.