

Protection of biometric information of children in school

Matlock & Dales Primary Partnership

Review: Annually

Version	Date	Narrative	Minute No.	Review Date
1	AS: 12.7.22	Local policy adopted by each	FGB/2122/120722/8	August 2023
	DCT: 12.7.22	school's LGB.	FGB/2223/051022/15	
	STG: 13.9.22	No school collects biometric data.	FGB/2223/130922/15	
1	29 th August 2023	Summer term policy review.	RMC/2223/290823/1	August 2024
	Bakewell CE Infants: 12.2.24	Slight amendments to wording to reflect that this policy is applied across schools within the partnership. These amendments are highlighted in green text.	FGB/2324/120224/07 & FGB/2324/120224/13	

Definitions



- **Biometric data:** Personal information about an individual's physical or behavioural characteristics that can be used to identify that person, including their fingerprints, facial shape, retina and iris patterns, and hand measurements.
- Automated biometric recognition system: A system which measures an individual's physical
 or behavioural characteristics by using equipment that operates 'automatically' (i.e.
 electronically). Information from the individual is automatically compared with biometric
 information stored in the system to see if there is a match in order to recognise or identify the
 individual.
- Processing biometric data: Processing biometric data includes obtaining, recording or holding
 the data or carrying out any operation on the data including disclosing it, deleting it, organising it
 or altering it. An automated biometric recognition system processes data when:
- Recording pupils' biometric data, e.g. taking measurements from a fingerprint via a fingerprint scanner.
- Storing pupils' biometric information on a database.
- Using pupils' biometric data as part of an electronic process, e.g. by comparing it with biometric information stored on a database to identify or recognise pupils.
- Special category data: Personal data which the GDPR says is more sensitive, and so needs
 more protection where biometric data is used for identification purposes, it is considered
 special category data.

Statement of Intent

All of the schools within the Matlock and Dales Primary Partnership (All Saints CE Infants, All Saints CE Junior, Bakewell CE Infants, Darley Churchtown and St. Giles), are committed to protecting the personal data of all its pupils and staff. We do not collect or process any biometric data of any individuals in our school.

Monitoring and review

The partnership's Resources Management Committee will review this policy on an annual basis. Any changes made to this policy will be communicated to all staff, parents and pupils.