Subject Access Request Policy

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The School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

BALDWINS GATE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

SUBJECT ACCESS REQUEST POLICY

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

Ideally subject access requests should be submitted in writing, either by letter or email to the Headteacher or Data Protection Officer (DPO). A subject access request form is available. Requests should include:

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

If staff receive a subject access request they must immediately forward it to the Headteacher or the DPO.

However a subject access request can be given verbally to the Headteacher or any member of staff.

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 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 12 are generally not regarded to be mature enough to understand their rights and the implications of a subject access request. Therefore, most subject access requests from parents or carers of pupils at our school may be granted without the express permission of the pupil. This is not a rule and a pupil's ability to understand their rights will always be judged on a case-by-case basis.

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. 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 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.

Links to other school policies: Data Protection Policy



Subject access request

For the attention of the Data Protection Officer

Please provide me with the information about me that I am entitled to under the General Data Protection Regulation. This is so I can be aware of the information you are processing about me, and verify the lawfulness of the processing.

In completing the table please be as precise as possible, for example:

- Your personnel file
- Your child's medical records
- Your child's behavior record, held by ... (eg class teacher, senior leadership team, school)
- Emails between 'A' and 'B' between [date]

Name			
Relationship with the school	Please select:		
	Pupil / parent / employee / governor / volunteer		
	Other (please specify):		
Correspondence address			
Contact number			
Email address			
Details of the information requested			

If you need any more information from me, please let me know as soon as possible. Please bear in mind that under the GDPR you cannot charge a fee to provide this information, and in most cases, must supply me with the information within 1 month.

Declaration

I hereby request Bald	wins Gate Prim	ary School pr	rovide me with t	the information	about
the data subject above	e.				

Signature:	 	 	
Name:	 	 	
Date:			