



24th May 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Your child's school is part of the St Alban Catholic Academies Trust, you may be aware that from 25th May 2018, the rules around data protection are changing. The 'General Data Protection Regulation' (GDPR) will change how your child's school and the Trust as a whole can use personal data and keep it safe.

We need to make sure sensitive or private information about yourselves and your children stays safe. Whilst it is similar to the current Data Protection Act 1998, it will supersede this existing legislation. We therefore need to make a few changes to our policies and procedures to ensure we remain compliant.

We attach a copy of our updated Privacy Notice which is also on all Trust school websites. This explains how we as a Trust and our individual schools process and store data. For example, we previously asked for your consent to use photographs or videos of your child. We will ask for your consent again and this will explain where and how we use these photographs, and the change in law means that you will need to "opt in" rather than us assuming that you have consented if you don't "opt out".

We will be regularly communicating with you as these changes are implemented, however if you have any questions about how the GDPR affects your child's school, you can contact the Trust Secretary, C/O Cardinal Newman School, Warden Hill Road, Luton, Bedfordshire, LU2 7AE or by email fcrowther@cardinalnewmanschool.net

Yours faithfully

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