

9th May 2018

Dear Parents and Carers

On the 25th May 2018, the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) come into force in the UK. These are new data protection regulations which build upon the Data Protection Act of 1998.

The GDPR require public authorities and businesses to identify the lawful basis for storing personal data, audit information we already hold and take a 'data protection by design and default' approach to personal data.

We take data protection very seriously at Goldfield Infants' and Nursery School. In line with GDPR requirements, we have already appointed a Data Protection Officer, Mr Eld dpo@goldfield.herts.sch.uk to oversee our approach to data management and protection.

In order to ensure that we comply with the new regulations, we are reviewing our current policies and practices. We have already updated our privacy notices in line with the new requirements. These can be found on our website at www.goldfield.herts.sch.uk and copies are also attached.

As part of this compliance process, we are also seeking to update the consent forms/home school agreements we received from parents and pupils upon admission to Goldfield. The new regulations are clear that consent must be up-to-date and clearly recorded. From now on, lack of response cannot be interpreted as implied consent. **We, therefore, ask that you return the attached consent form to us promptly, ensuring you include your child's name.** A paper copy of the consent form will follow in book bags.

To learn more about the General Data Protection Regulation, please visit the Information Commissioner's Office website on <http://ico.org.uk>

Thank you for your support.

Debbie Stevens