

## **Great Gaddesden Cof E (VA) Primary School**

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

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On the 25th May 2018, the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) come into force in the UK. These are new data protection regulations 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 Great Gaddesden C of E Primary School. In line with GDPR requirements, we have already appointed a Data Protection Officer, Mr Patrick Aikman, 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 updated our privacy notices in line with the new requirements. On 25/05/18, these can be found on the school website.

As part of this compliance process, we are also updating the consent forms/home school agreements we have received from parents and pupils. Please ensure that you have returned your completed data form to the school office. There are a few outstanding forms, yet to be returned. We therefore ask that you return these to us promptly please.

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.

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

Yours sincerely.

Mrs S.M. Wickens

Headteacher