



Privacy Notice

How we use pupil information

Dee Banks School is the data controller of the personal information you provide to us. This means the school determines the purposes for which, and the manner in which, any personal data relating to pupils and their families is to be processed.

In some cases, your data will be outsourced to a third-party processor; however, this will only be done with your consent, unless the law requires the school to share your data. Where the school outsources data to a third-party processor, the same data protection standards that Dee Banks School upholds are imposed on the processor.

The school data protection officer's role is to oversee and monitor the school's data protection procedures and to ensure they are compliant with GDPR. The data protection officer can be contacted on

School Data Protection Officer
Cheshire West and Chester Council
3rd Floor
Civic Way
4 Civic Way
Ellesmere port
CH65 0BE

schoolDPO@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk

Why do we collect and use pupil information?

Dee Banks School holds the legal right to collect and use personal data relating to pupils and their families, and we may also receive information regarding them from their previous school, LA and/or the DFE. We collect and process pupil information as part of our public functions under both the Data Protection Act and Article 6, part of the General Data Protection Regulation.

The legislation and guidance that allows us to do this in the UK includes, but is not limited to:

- [The Education Pupil Registration \(England\) Regulations 2006](#)
- [Education \(Information About Individual Pupils\) \(England\) Regulations 2013](#)

- [Education Act 2002](#)
- [Education Act 2011](#)
- [Government Guidance on Schools and Education](#)

In accordance with the above, the personal data of pupils and their families is collected and used for the following reasons:

- To support pupil learning
- To monitor and report on pupil progress
- To provide appropriate pastoral care
- To assess the quality of our services
- To comply with the law regarding data sharing

The categories of pupil information that we collect, hold and share include:

- Personal information (such as name, unique pupil number and address)
- Characteristics (such as ethnicity, language, nationality, country of birth and free school meal eligibility)
- Attendance information (such as sessions attended, number of absences and absence reasons)
- Assessment information
- Relevant medical information (such as SALT, Physio and OT information, list of medication pupils are on and consent forms from parents to administer medication)
- Special educational needs information including EHCP and Statement information
- Exclusions / behavioural information
- Post 16 learning information

Collecting pupil information

Whilst the majority of pupil information you provide to us is mandatory, some of it is provided to us on a voluntary basis. In order to comply with the General Data Protection Regulation, we will inform you whether you are required to provide certain pupil information to us or if you have a choice in this.

Storing pupil data

We hold pupil data for the required period of time set out in our school retention schedule. A copy of this can be obtained from our Data protection officer or the school office.

In accordance with the GDPR, the school does not store personal information indefinitely; data is only stored for as long as necessary to complete the task it was originally collected for.

Who do we share pupil information with?

We routinely share pupil information with:

- Schools/Settings that the pupils attend after leaving us
- our local authority
- the Department for Education (DfE)
- NHS
- School Nurse
- LA SEN Team
- Speech and Language Therapy
- CAHMS
- Social Workers
- Transport services
- Respite Services
- Housing Services
- Transition teams and colleges
- Vision and Hearing Service
- Careers and Enterprise – Compass +

Aged 14+ qualifications

For pupils enrolling for post 14 qualifications, the Learning Records Service will give us a pupil's unique learner number (ULN) and may also give us details about the pupil's learning or qualifications

Why we share pupil information

We do not share information about our pupils with anyone without consent unless the law and our policies allow us to do so.

We share pupils' data with the Department for Education (DfE) on a statutory basis. This data sharing underpins school funding and educational attainment policy and monitoring.

We are required to share information about our pupils with our local authority (LA) and the Department for Education (DfE) under section 3 of The Education (Information About Individual Pupils) (England) Regulations 2013.

Data collection requirements:

To find out more about the data collection requirements placed on us by the Department for Education (for example; via the school census) go to <https://www.gov.uk/education/data-collection-and-censuses-for-schools>.

Youth support services

What is different about pupils aged 13+?

Once our pupils reach the age of 13, we also pass pupil information to our local authority and / or provider of youth support services as they have responsibilities in relation to the education or training of 13-19 year olds under section 507B of the Education Act 1996.

This enables them to provide services as follows:

- Youth Support Services
- Careers Advisers

A parent / guardian can request that **only** their child's name, address and date of birth is passed to their local authority or provider of youth support services by informing us. This right is transferred to the child / pupil once he/she reaches the age 16.

Our pupils aged 16+

We will also share certain information about pupils aged 16+ with our local authority and / or provider of youth support services as they have responsibilities in relation to the education or training of 13-19 year olds under section 507B of the Education Act 1996.

This enables them to provide services as follows:

- post-16 education and training providers
- youth support services
- careers advisers

For more information about services for young people, please visit our local authority website.

The National Pupil Database (NPD)

The NPD is owned and managed by the Department for Education and contains information about pupils in schools in England. It provides invaluable evidence on educational performance to inform independent research, as well as studies commissioned by the Department. It is held in electronic format for statistical purposes. This information is securely collected from a range of sources including schools, local authorities and awarding bodies.

We are required by law, to provide information about our pupils to the DfE as part of statutory data collections such as the school census and early years' census. Some of this information is then stored in the NPD. The law that allows this is the Education (Information About Individual Pupils) (England) Regulations 2013.

To find out more about the pupil information we share with the department, for the purpose of data collections, go to <https://www.gov.uk/education/data-collection-and-censuses-for-schools>.

To find out more about the NPD, go to <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-pupil-database-user-guide-and-supporting-information>.

The department may share information about our pupils from the NPD with third parties who promote the education or well-being of children in England by:

- Conducting research or analysis
- Producing statistics
- Providing information, advice or guidance

The Department has robust processes in place to ensure the confidentiality of our data is maintained and there are stringent controls in place regarding access and use of the data. Decisions on whether DfE releases data to third parties are subject to a strict approval process and based on a detailed assessment of:

- Who is requesting the data?
- The purpose for which it is required
- The level and sensitivity of data requested: and
- The arrangements in place to store and handle the data

To be granted access to pupil information, organisations must comply with strict terms and conditions covering the confidentiality and handling of the data, security arrangements and retention and use of the data.

For more information about the department's data sharing process, please visit: <https://www.gov.uk/data-protection-how-we-collect-and-share-research-data>

For information about which organisations the department has provided pupil information, (and for which project), please visit the following website: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-pupil-database-requests-received>

To contact DfE: <https://www.gov.uk/contact-dfe>

Requesting access to your personal data

Under data protection legislation, parents and pupils have the right to request access to information about them that we hold. To make a request for your personal information, or be given access to your child's educational record, contact the Data Protection Lead, alternatively you can download the Right to access policy on the school website <http://www.deebanksschool.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/Right-of-Access-Policy.docx>

Kate Hubbard
Data Protection Lead
01244 981030
khubbard@deebanks.cheshire.sch.uk

You also have the right to:

- Object to processing of personal data that is likely to cause, or is causing, damage or distress.
- Prevent processing for the purpose of direct marketing.
- Object to decisions being taken by automated means.
- In certain circumstances, have inaccurate personal data rectified, blocked, erased or destroyed.
- Claim compensation for damages caused by a breach of the Data Protection regulations.

Who can I complain to if I am not happy about how my data is used?

If you have a concern about the way we are collecting or using your personal data, you should raise your concern with us in the first instance.

For general questions or advice about the school's data protection procedures or to alert us to any issues you may have in the way we may handle your or your child's information please contact:

Kate Hubbard
Data Protection Lead
01244 667800
khubbard@deebanks.cheshire.sch.uk

If you prefer, you may contact the School's independent Data Protection Officer direct at:

- Schools Data Protection Officer
Cheshire West and Chester Council,
3rd Floor,
Civic Way,
4 Civic Way,
Ellesmere Port,
CH65 0BE
- Email: schoolDPO@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk

You also have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner's Office using the following details:

- [Information Commissioner's Office \(ICO\) website](#)
- By post: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF
- Telephone: 08456 30 60 60 or 01625 54 57 45's

Will This Information Be Used to Take Automated Decisions About Me?

No

Will My Data Be Transferred Abroad and Why?

No