

# **Freedom of Information Act Policy**

## **GDPR**

Data will be processed to be in line with the requirements and protections set out in the UK General Data Protection Regulation.



This policy relates St Bartholomew's Primary School's **'Publication Scheme'** for information available under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

#### 1. Introduction - what a publication scheme is and why it has been developed

One of the aims of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) is that public authorities, including <u>all</u> maintained schools, should be clear and proactive about the information they will make public.

This policy describes the school's publication scheme, setting out:

- The classes of information which we publish or intend to publish;
- The manner in which the information has been or will be published
- Whether the information is available free of charge or on payment

All information in the school's publication scheme is available in paper form. Increasingly, information is available to the public on the school's website to download and print off.

Some information which we hold may not be made public, for example personal details.

This publication scheme conforms to the model scheme for schools approved by the Information Commissioner. The governing body is responsible for maintenance of this scheme.

#### 2. Aims and Objectives

At St Bartholomew's we aim:

- To provide a school which is a safe, healthy and happy place where pupils enjoy learning;
- We believe that everyone should be polite and considerate, respecting other people's thoughts and feelings;
- We expect everybody to be kind, caring and co-operative and to take responsibility for their actions;
- As members of our learning community, we should aim to always 'give our best' in all that we do and should feel confident to face a challenge;

#### 3. Categories of Information Published

The publication scheme guides you to information which we currently publish (or have recently published) or which we will publish in the future. This is split into categories of information known as 'classes' - these are contained in section 6 of this scheme.

The classes of information that we undertake to make available are organised into four broad topic areas;

- School Prospectus information published in a more promotional format and intended for a wider audience, including prospective parents and external organisations involved in moderation or inspection;
- **Governor related documents** information published in Governing Body meeting minutes and in other associated documentation;
- **Pupil** information, including in the form of policies, that relate to our pupils as a 'body' or individually; ensuring the latter is cross-referenced with our policies regarding 'Data Protection' and 'Subject Access Request';
- **Curriculum** information and linked policies, relating to the school's approach to learning, subject specific information, the wider educational experiences on offer and pastoral provision.

#### 4. How to request Information

If you require a paper version of any of the documents within the scheme, please contact the school by telephone, email, or letter. Contact details are set out below. Some documents are available from our website at www.st-bartholomews.leics.sch.uk

Email: office@st-bartholomews.leics.sch.uk

Tele: 01509 412250

Contact address: St. Bartholomew's Primary School, Willowcroft, Off Warwick Avenue,

Quorn, Leicestershire, LE12 8HQ

To help us process your request quickly, please clearly mark any correspondence 'PUBLICATION SCHEME REQUEST' (IN CAPITALS PLEASE).

If the information you are looking for is not available via the scheme and isn't on our website, you can still contact the school to ask if we have it.

#### 5. Paying for Information

There is no charge for photocopying of this information.

# 6. Classes of Information Currently Published

 $\underline{School's\ Website} - this\ section\ outlines\ information\ published\ in\ the\ school\ prospectus\ and\ website.$ 

Class	Description
School Website	The statutory contents of the school website are as follows; (other items may be included on the website at the school's discretion):
	<ul> <li>Contact Details</li> <li>Admission Arrangements</li> <li>School Uniforms</li> <li>Ofsted Reports</li> <li>Test, exam and assessment results</li> <li>Performance measures website</li> <li>School opening hours</li> <li>Curriculum</li> <li>Remote Education</li> <li>Behaviour Policy</li> <li>Pupil premium and recovery premium</li> <li>PE and sport premium for primary schools</li> <li>Public sector equality duty</li> <li>Special Educational Needs and Disability Information</li> <li>Complaints procedure</li> <li>Governors' information and duties</li> <li>Financial Information</li> <li>Charging and remission policies</li> <li>Values and ethos</li> <li>Requests for paper copies</li> </ul> Further details can be found on the following website: https://www.gov.uk/guidance/what-maintained-schools-must-publishonline
Governor's docum	nents - this section outlines information published in the Governors
minutes and in ot	her governing body documents
Instrument of	The name of the school
Government	The category of the school
	The name of the governing body
	<ul> <li>The manner in which the governing body is constituted</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>The term of office of each category of governor if less than 4 years</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>The name of anybody entitled to appoint any category of governor</li> </ul>
	Details of any trust
	If the school has a religious character, a description of the ethos

• The date the instrument takes effect

committees	Minutes of meeting of the governing body and its	<ul> <li>Agreed minutes of meeting of the full governing boards. Current and last academic school year</li> <li>Attendance of governors at main and committees over the past 12 months</li> </ul>
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<u>'Pupils' and 'curriculum' related Policies</u> - this section gives access to information about policies that relate to pupils and the school curriculum.

Class	Description
<b>Accessibility Policy</b>	Plan for increasing participation of disabled pupils in the
	school's curriculum improving the accessibility of the physical
	environment and improving delivery of information to disabled
	pupils
Behaviour and	Statement of general principles on behaviour and discipline and
Discipline policy	of measures taken by the Headteacher to prevent bullying
<b>Collective Worship</b>	Statement of arrangements for the required daily act of
	collective worship
<b>Curriculum Policies</b>	Statement on following the policy for the secular curriculum
	subjects and religious education and schemes of work and
	syllabuses currently used by the school
Home School	It's a supportive partnership between school and home for the
Partnership	benefit of the pupils.
Relationships, Sex	Statement of policy with regard to relationship, sex and health
and Health	education
<b>Education Policy</b>	
Special Education	Information about the school's policy on providing for pupils
Needs Policy	with special educational needs
Racial Equality Policy	Statement of policy for promoting racial equality
Remote Learning	Policy for the Remote Learning provision in school
Policy	
Safeguarding and	Statement of policy for safeguarding and promoting welfare of
<b>Child Protection for</b>	pupils at the school
Schools Policy	

<u>School-wide Policies</u> and other information related to the school - this section gives access to information about policies that relate to the school in general.

Class	Description
<b>Admissions Policy</b>	Policy for school Admissions
Charging and	A statement of the school's policy with respect to charges and
Remissions Policy	remissions for any optional extra or board and lodging for which
	charges are permitted, for example school publications, music
	tuition, trips
<b>Complaints Policy</b>	Statement of procedures for dealing with complaints
Data Protection	Policy for how St Bartholomew's C of E Primary School manages
Policy	data that is held about pupils, staff, parents, carers and other
	individuals in connection with that school

<b>General Equality</b>	This scheme outlines the commitment of staff and Governors of
Policy	St Bartholomew's) Primary School to promote equality
Health & Safety	Policy for Management of Health and Safety in the School
Policy	
Medication and	Policy for management of Medication in school.
Management	
Guidance	

## 7. Feedback and Complaints

We welcome any comments or suggestions you may have about the scheme. If you want to make any comments about this publication scheme or if you require further assistance or wish to make a complaint, then initially this should be addressed to:

The Headteacher, St Bartholomew's Primary School, Willowcroft, Quorn, Loughborough, Leics, LE12 8HQ.

If you are not satisfied with the assistance that you get or if we have not been able to resolve your complaint and you feel that a formal complaint needs to be made, then this should be addressed to the Information Commissioner's Office.

This is the organisation that ensures compliance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and that deals with formal complaints. They can be contacted at:

**By post**: Customer Contact, Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, SK9 5AF

By email: <a href="mailto:casework@ico.org.uk">casework@ico.org.uk</a>

**Helpline**: 0303 1231113 or 01625 545745 9.00am – 5.00pm

Website:- www.ico.org.uk

Email: www.ico.org.uk/global/contact-us/email/