

Independent Preparatory School and Nursery for Boys and Girls aged 2¹/₂ to 11 years

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25th May 2018 Dear Parents,

Changes to Data Protection Law

You may be aware that from today, the 'General Data Protection Regulation' (GDPR) will change how we can use your personal data and keep it safe and will also strengthen your rights over your own data.

The point of this is to make sure sensitive or private information about yourselves and your children stays safe. Whilst it is similar to the previous Data Protection Act in many ways, there are a few differences, so we have made a few changes at the school in order to ensure we remain compliant.

The school has worked hard to ensure that we comply with the requirements of the Regulation, because we take your privacy seriously. We will include aspects of the GDPR in the IT and computing curriculum so that your children learn how to protect their privacy and online reputation in our highly technological world.

The school staff have had training so that they are familiar with the requirements of the GDPR. As a result, we wanted to let you know about the updates to our Privacy Policy which is available on our current website.

We would like to reassure you that there are no fundamental changes to the way we collect, handle and store your data. However, we have improved our processes and have also taken steps to ensure we continue to have the appropriate controls in place to safeguard your personal data and your options will be adhered to. We will continue to operate compliantly under the new GDPR as we have under previous legislation. There's nothing you need to do right now, but we would invite you to have a read of the Privacy Notice on our website http://www.stwystans.org.uk/useful-information/policies

Yours faithfully,

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