

PRIVACY NOTICE for pupils in schools

Privacy Notice - Data Protection Act 1998

We, The Thomas Aveling School (a member of The Rochester Learning Partnership), are the Data Controller for the purposes of the Data Protection Act. We collect information from you, and may receive information about you from your previous school. We hold this personal data and use it to:

- support your teaching and learning;
- monitor and report on your progress;
- provide appropriate pastoral care, and
- assess how well your school is doing.

This information includes your contact details, national curriculum assessment results, attendance information, characteristics such as ethnic group, special educational needs and any relevant medical information.

We will not give information about you to anyone outside the school without your consent unless the law and our rules permit it. We are required by law to pass some of your information to the Local Authority (LA), and the Department for Children, Schools and Families (DCSF).

If you want to see a copy of the information we hold and share about you then please contact the Children's Team.

Connexions Services - Once you are aged 13 or over we are required to pass on certain information to the Connexions services. Connexions is the government's information and advice service for all young people aged 13 to 19 in England. We must provide both your own and your parent/s' name/s and address/es, and any further information relevant to the Connexions services' role. However, you (if you are over 16) or your parents can ask that no information beyond name and address be passed to Connexions. Please inform the Children's Team if you wish to opt-out of this arrangement. For more information about Connexions please contact Rose Carter, Rosy Mauceri or Norma Rice on 01634 844809 xtn 124.

If you require more information about how the LA and/or DCSF store and use this data please go to the following websites:

- www.medway.org.uk/index/council/policy/dataprotection.htm and <http://www.teachernet.gov.uk/doc/13856/DCSF%20what%20we%20do%20with%20Children's%20data%20v4%20final.doc>

If you are unable to access these websites, please contact the LA or the DCSF as follows:

- Medway Council
Human Resources Department
Gun Wharf
Dock Road
Chatham
Kent ME4
website: www.medway.org.uk
tel: 01634 306000

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- Public Communications Unit
Department for Children, Schools and Families
Sanctuary Buildings
Great Smith Street
London
SW1P 3BT
website: www.dcsf.gov.uk
email: info@dcsgsi.gov.uk
tel: 0870 000 2288.