



# Tadcaster Grammar School

*'A Culture of Excellence'*

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Dear Parents

## General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

Today a new Regulation comes into force, the General Data Protection Regulation.

The aim of the Regulation is to make personal information even more confidential than it already is, under the current Data Protection Act. The Regulation affects all countries in the European Union, but it will remain in British Law following Brexit.

In the United Kingdom the Information Commissioner's Office will check that everyone is complying with the law. This school has worked hard to ensure that we comply with the requirements of the Regulation, because we take your privacy seriously.

School staff will be receiving guidance so that they are familiar with the requirements of the GDPR. We have also commissioned the services of an external auditor, 'Judicium Education' who will shortly be completing a full appraisal of our systems, with recommendations for any changes required. They will also act as our Data Protection Officer and oversee compliance with GDPR. Should you need to contact them you can do so below:

Data Protection Officer: Craig Stilwell  
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We will soon be issuing new privacy notices and acceptable use policies for families and students. Families will also see new letters requesting consent for some school activities, such as for the use of photographs. Please note that we **must** have a reply to these letters, otherwise your child might miss out when you would actually prefer them to be included: we cannot just assume that you agree (or don't agree!)

We are also reviewing the security of all our IT systems and the storage of our paper records. If any companies or partner agencies have access to school data then we are requiring them to confirm that they also comply with the GDPR. We will also be assessing how we collect and protect the most sensitive data to ensure security levels are as high as can be reasonably expected.

Thank you for your continued support as we all work to protect everyone's right to privacy.

Yours sincerely

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