

ST. GERARD'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOL Biometric Recognition Systems Policy



St Gerard's Catholic Primary School

"Guided by God, St Gerard's Catholic Primary and Nursery School is an inspiring and aspirational community where we learn to love, hope, dream and achieve."



SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT

"St Gerard's Catholic Primary and Nursery School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment".



Policy for the Protection of Biometric Information of Children

At present, St. Gerard's Catholic Primary & Nursery school does not use biometric data. If, in the future we use pupils' biometric data as part of an automated biometric recognition system (for example, pupils use fingerprints to receive school dinners instead of paying with cash), we will comply with the requirements of the Protection of Freedoms Act 2012.

Parents/carers will be notified before biometric recognition system is put in place or before their child first takes part in it. The school will obtain written consent form at least one parent or carer before we take any biometric dada from their child and first process it.

Parents/carers and pupils will have the right to choose not to use the school's biometric systems(s). We will provide alternative means of accessing the relevant services for those pupils. For example, pupils will be able to pay for school dinners in cash at each transaction if they wish.

Parents/carers and pupils will be able to withdraw consent, at any time, and we will make sure that any relevant data already captured is deleted.

As required by law, if a pupil refuses to participate in, or continue to participate in, the processing of their data, we will not process that data irrespective of any consent given by the pupil's parent(s)/carers(s).

Where staff members or other adults use the school's biometric systems(s), we will also obtain their consent before they first take part in it, and provide alternative means of accessing the relevant service if they object. Staff and other adults can also withdraw consent at any time, and the school will delete any relevant data already captured.