

Mowbray Primary School Stakeford Lane Guide Post Choppington Northumberland NE62 5HQ

Headteacher: Mr Andrew Miller

25 May 2018

Dear parent/carer

Re: Changes to Data Protection Law

You may be aware that from May, the rules around data protection are changing. 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 current Data Protection Act in many ways, there are a few differences, so we need to make a few changes at the school in order to ensure we remain compliant.

One of these changes is that we have updated our privacy notice. This outlines what data we hold as well as how and why we hold the data and how and why we share it or transfer it. A copy of the privacy notice in relation to your child's data is attached to this email as is the privacy notice in relation to your own data as parent / carer.

As part of our work to comply with the GDPR, we are also re-seeking consent for using photographs or videos of your child on our website, internal displays and publicity. We have sent this form home with your child, and would appreciate it if you filled this out and returned it to the school office by **Friday 8th June 2018**.

We have also sent home a consent form for you to complete in relation to how we use your data to contact you in relation to <u>some</u> of our work such as fundraising. How we contact you regarding other aspects of our work such as school reports, school trips and in relation to attendance or teaching and learning do not require consent as they are covered under our legal obligations or are deemed a public task and therefore do not require consent. As with the photograph permissions, please return your consent form by **Friday 8th June 2018**.

If you have any questions about how the GDPR affects you, or how our school is preparing, you can contact Mrs Baldwin or Mr Miller via the school office.

Yours faithfully,

Mr A Miller Headteacher