



St Marks Pre-school – GDPR Compliance Statement

Commitment

St Marks Pre-school is committed to the principles inherent in the General Data Protection Regulations 2018 (GDPR), and particularly to the concepts of privacy by design, the right to be forgotten, consent, and a risk-based approach. In addition, we aim to ensure:

- transparency with regard to the use of data;
- that any processing is lawful, fair, transparent and necessary for a specific purpose;
- that data is accurate, kept up to date and removed when no longer necessary; and
- that data is kept safely and securely.

Policy

Our Information Sharing Policy, Confidentiality and Client Access to Records Policy and Maintenance, Storage and Transfer of Records Policy are available on our website and copies are made available to all employees and to contractors and suppliers associated with St Marks Pre-school. These documents form part of the induction training of all new staff, and follow-up sessions will be put in place if the legislation changes or further guidance is available.

Right to be forgotten

St Marks Pre-school recognises the right to erasure, also known as the right to be forgotten, laid down in the GDPR. Individuals should contact the Pre-school Manager with requests for the deletion or removal of personal data. These will be acted on provided there is no compelling reason for continued processing and that the exemptions set out in the GDPR do not apply. These exemptions include where the personal data is processed for the exercise or defence of legal claims and to comply with a legal obligation for the performance of a public interest task or exercise of official authority.

Subject access requests

St Marks Pre-school recognises that individuals have the right to access their personal data and supplementary information and will comply with the one-month timeframe for responses set down in the GDPR. As a general rule, a copy of the requested information will be provided free of charge, although St Marks Pre-school reserves the right to charge a 'reasonable fee' when a request is manifestly unfounded or excessive, particularly if it is repetitive. If this proves necessary, the person concerned will be informed of their right to contest our decision with the supervisory authority (the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO)).

As set out in the GDPR, any fee will be notified in advance and will be based on the administrative cost of providing the information.

Privacy

St Marks Pre-school will implement data protection 'by design and by default', as required by the GDPR. Safeguards will be built into processes and procedures from the earliest stage of development, and privacy-friendly default settings will be the norm. The privacy notice, which is on our website and which is provided to anyone from whom we collect data, explains our lawful basis for processing the data and gives the data retention periods. It makes clear that individuals have a right to complain to the ICO. St Marks Pre-school has conducted a privacy impact assessment (PIA) to ensure that privacy risks have been properly considered and addressed.

Data transfers outside the EU

St Marks Pre-school does not transfer personal data outside the EU.

Children

The GDPR provides for special protection for children's personal data, and St Marks Pre-school will comply with the requirement to obtain parental or guardian consent for any data processing activity involving anyone under the age of 16. Systems have been introduced to verify individuals' ages.

Data loss

If a data breach occurs that is likely to result in a risk to the rights and freedoms of individuals, the people affected will be informed as soon as possible and the ICO will be notified within 72 hours.

GDPR contact

Or

Any questions related to GDPR or to issues concerning data protection generally should initially be addressed to St Marks Pre-school's Manager.