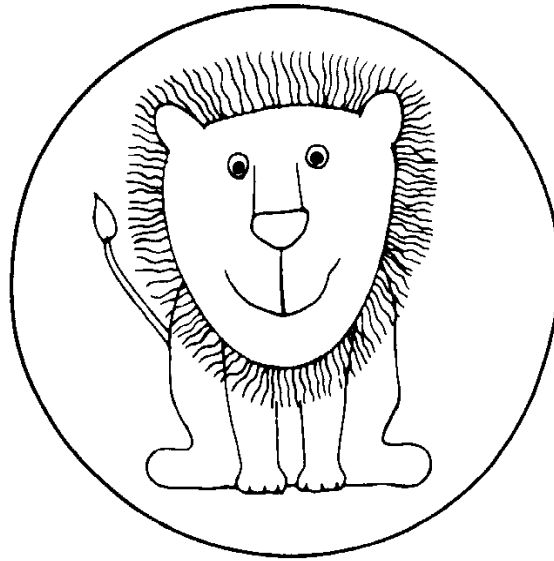




Linslade Lower School

Data Retention Policy

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The School has a responsibility to maintain its records and record-keeping systems. When doing this, the School will take account of the following factors: -

- The most efficient and effective way of storing records and information;
- The confidential nature of the records and information stored;
- The security of the record systems used;
- Privacy and disclosure; and
- Their accessibility.

This policy does not form part of any employee's contract of employment and is not intended to have a contractual effect. It does, however, reflect the School's current practice, the requirements of current legislation, and best practice and guidance. It may be amended by the School from time to time, and employees will be notified of any changes within one month of the date on which the change is intended to take effect. The School may also vary any parts of this procedure, including any time limits, as appropriate in any case.

DATA PROTECTION

This policy sets out how long employment-related and pupil data will normally be held by us and when that information will be confidentially destroyed in compliance with the terms of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Data will be stored and processed to allow for the efficient operation of the School. The School's Data Protection Policy outlines its duties and obligations under the GDPR.

RETENTION SCHEDULE

Information (hard copy and electronic) will be retained for at least the period specified in the attached retention schedule. When managing records, the School will adhere to the standard retention times listed within that schedule. Paper records will be regularly monitored by the Headteacher and the Bursar.

The Headteacher and the Bursar will regularly monitor electronic records. The schedule is a document listing the many types of records used by the school and the applicable retention periods for each record type. The retention periods are based on business needs and legal requirements.

DESTRUCTION OF RECORDS

Where records have been identified for destruction they should be disposed of in an appropriate way. All information must be reviewed before destruction to determine whether there are special factors that mean destruction should be delayed, such as potential litigation, complaints or grievances. All paper records containing personal information, or sensitive policy information should be shredded before disposal. All electronic information will be deleted. The School follows the Retention Schedule

(attached) for the destruction of all information. Records are checked at the end of each academic year and destroyed when necessary.

RECORD KEEPING OF SAFEGUARDING

Any allegations made that are found to be malicious are not part of the personnel records. For any other allegations made, the School keeps a comprehensive summary of the allegation made, details of how the investigation was looked into and resolved, and any decisions reached. This should be kept on the personnel files of the accused. Any allegations made of sexual abuse should be preserved by the School for the term of an inquiry by the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse. All other records (for example, the personnel file of the accused) should be retained until the accused has reached normal pension age or for a period of 10 years from the date of the allegation if that is longer. Guidance from the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse states that prolonged retention of personal data at the request of an Inquiry would not contravene data protection regulations provided the information is restricted to that necessary to fulfil potential legal duties that a School may have in relation to an Inquiry. Whilst the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse is ongoing, it is an offence to destroy any records relating to it. At the conclusion of the Inquiry, it is likely that an indication regarding the appropriate retention periods of the records will be made.

ARCHIVING

Where records have been identified as being worthy of preservation over the longer term, arrangements should be made to transfer the records to the archives. The school follows the Retention Schedule with regard to archiving records. The archiving of information not listed is decided by the school Governing Body.

TRANSFERRING INFORMATION TO OTHER MEDIA

Where lengthy retention periods have been allocated to records, members of staff may wish to consider converting paper records to other media such as digital media or virtual storage centres (such as cloud storage). The lifespan of the media and the ability to migrate data where necessary should always be considered.

TRANSFERRING INFORMATION TO ANOTHER SCHOOL

We retain the Pupil's educational record whilst the child remains at the school. Once a pupil leaves the school, the file should be sent to their next school. The responsibility for retention then shifts onto the next school. We may delay destruction of other information for a further period where there are special factors such as potential litigation.

RESPONSIBILITY AND MONITORING

The Headteacher has primary and day-to-day responsibility for implementing this Policy. The Data Protection Officer, in conjunction with the School is responsible for

monitoring its use and effectiveness and dealing with any queries on its interpretation. The data protection officer will consider the suitability and adequacy of this policy and report improvements directly to management. Internal control systems and procedures will be subject to regular audits to provide assurance that they are effective in creating, maintaining, and removing records. Management at all levels are responsible for ensuring those reporting to them are made aware of and understand this Policy and are given adequate and regular training on it.

EMAILS

Email accounts are not a case management tool in itself. Generally, emails may need to fall under different retention periods (for example, an email regarding a health and safety report will be subject to a different time frame than an email that forms part of a pupil record). It is important to note that the retention period will depend on the content of the email, and it is important that staff file those emails in the relevant areas to avoid the data becoming lost. The school recommends the Retention Schedule for paper documents also be applied to the retention of emails.

PUPIL RECORDS

All Schools are under a duty to maintain a pupil record for each pupil. If a child changes schools, the responsibility for maintaining the pupil record moves to the next school. We retain the file for a year following transfer in case any issues arise as a result of the transfer.

RETENTION SCHEDULE

Management of the School

This section contains retention periods connected to the general management of the school. This covers the work of the Governing Body, the Headteacher and the senior management team, the admissions process and operational administration.

1.1 Governing Body					
Ref	Basic file description	Data Protection Issues	Retention Period [Operational]	Action at the end of the administrative life of the record	Annual Review Completed Tick (v)
1.1.1	Agendas for Governing Body meetings	There may be data protection issues if the meeting is dealing with confidential issues relating to staff	One copy should be retained with the master set of minutes. All other copies can be disposed of	SECURE DISPOSAL ¹	
1.1.2	Minutes of Governing Body meetings	There may be data protection issues if the meeting is dealing with confidential issues relating to staff			
	Inspection Copies ²		Date of meeting + 3 years	If these minutes contain any sensitive, personal information they must be shredded.	

¹ In this context SECURE DISPOSAL should be taken to mean disposal using confidential waste bins, or if the school has the facility, shredding using a cross cut shredder.

² These are the copies which the clerk to the Governor may wish to retain so that requestors can view all the appropriate information without the clerk needing to print off and collate redacted copies of the minutes each time a request is made.

1.1.3	Reports presented to the Governing Body	There may be data protection issues if the report deals with confidential issues relating to staff	Reports should be kept for a minimum of 6 years. However, if the minutes refer directly to individual reports then the reports should be kept permanently	SECURE DISPOSAL or retain with the signed set of the minutes	
1.1.4	Meeting papers relating to the annual parents' meeting held under section 33 of the Education Act 2002	No	Date of the meeting + a minimum of 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	

1.1 Governing Body (continued...)					
Ref	Basic file description	Data Protection Issues	Retention Period [Operational]	Action at the end of the administrative life of the record	Annual Review Completed Tick (v)
1.1.5	Instruments of Government including Articles of Association	No	PERMANENT	These should be retained in the school whilst the school is open and then offered to County Archives Service when the school closes.	
1.1.6	Trusts and Endowments managed by the Governing Body	No	PERMANENT	These should be retained in the school whilst the school is open and then offered to County Archives Service when the school closes.	
1.1.7	Action plans created and administered by the Governing Body	No	Life of the action plan + 3 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
1.1.8	Policy documents created and administered by the Governing Body	No	Life of the policy + 3 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
1.1.9	Records relating to complaints dealt with by the Governing Body	Yes	Date of the resolution of the complaint + a minimum of 6 years, then review for further retention in case of contentious disputes	SECURE DISPOSAL	

1.1.10	Annual Reports created under the requirements of the Education (Governor's Annual Reports) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2002	No	Date of report + 10 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
1.1.11	Proposals concerning the change of status of a maintained school including Specialist Status Schools and Academies	No	Date proposal accepted or declined + 3 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	

1.2 Head Teacher and Senior Management Team					
Ref	Basic file description	Data Protection Issues	Retention Period [Operational]	Action at the end of the administrative life of the record	Annual Review Completed Tick (v)
1.2.1	Log books of activity in the school maintained by the Head Teacher	There may be data protection issues if the log book refers to individual pupils or members of staff	Date of last entry in the book + a minimum of 6 years then review	These could be of permanent historical value and should be offered to the County Archives Service if appropriate	
1.2.2	Minutes of Senior Management Team meetings and the meetings of other internal administrative bodies	There may be data protection issues if the minutes refers to individual pupils or members of staff	Date of the meeting + 3 years then review	SECURE DISPOSAL	
1.2.3	Reports created by the Head Teacher or the Management Team	There may be data protection issues if the report refers to individual pupils or members of staff	Date of the report + a minimum of 3 years then review	SECURE DISPOSAL	
1.2.4	Records created by head teachers, deputy head teachers, heads of year and other members of staff with administrative responsibilities	There may be data protection issues if the records refer to individual pupils or members of staff	Current academic year + 6 years then review	SECURE DISPOSAL	
1.2.5	Correspondence created by head teachers, deputy head teachers, heads of year and other members of staff with administrative responsibilities	There may be data protection issues if the correspondence refers to individual pupils or members of staff	Date of correspondence + 3 years then review	SECURE DISPOSAL	

1.2.6	Professional Development Plans	Yes	Life of the plan + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
1.2.7	School Development Plans	No	Life of the plan + 3 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	

1.3 Admissions Process					
Ref	Basic file description	Data Protection Issues	Retention Period [Operational]	Action at the end of the administrative life of the record	Annual Review Completed Tick (v)
1.3.1	All records relating to the creation and implementation of the School Admissions' Policy	No	Life of the policy + 3 years then review	SECURE DISPOSAL	
1.3.2	Admissions – if the admission is successful	Yes	Date of admission + 1 year	SECURE DISPOSAL	
1.3.3	Admissions – if the appeal is unsuccessful	Yes	Resolution of case + 1 year	SECURE DISPOSAL	
1.3.4	Register of Admissions	Yes	Every entry in the admission register must be preserved for a period of three years after the date on which the entry was made. ³	REVIEW Schools may wish to consider keeping the admission register permanently as often schools receive enquiries from past pupils to confirm the dates they attended the school.	
1.3.5	Admissions – Secondary Schools – Casual	Yes	Current year + 1 year	SECURE DISPOSAL	
1.3.6	Proofs of address supplied by parents as part of the admissions process	Yes	Current year + 1 year	SECURE DISPOSAL	
1.3.7	Supplementary Information form including additional information such as religion, medical conditions etc	Yes			

	For successful admissions		This information should be added to the pupil file	SECURE DISPOSAL	
	For unsuccessful admissions		Until appeals process completed	SECURE DISPOSAL	

1.4 Operational Administration					
Ref	Basic file description	Data Protection Issues	Retention Period [Operational]	Action at the end of the administrative life of the record	Annual Review Completed Tick (v)
1.4.1	General file series	No	Current year + 5 years then REVIEW	SECURE DISPOSAL	
1.4.2	Records relating to the creation and publication of the school brochure or prospectus	No	Current year + 3 years	STANDARD DISPOSAL	
1.4.3	Records relating to the creation and distribution of circulars to staff, parents or pupils	No	Current year + 1 year	STANDARD DISPOSAL	
1.4.4	Newsletters and other items with a short operational use	No	Current year + 1 year	STANDARD DISPOSAL	
1.4.5	Visitors' Books and Signing in Sheets	Yes	Current year + 6 years then REVIEW	SECURE DISPOSAL	
1.4.6	Records relating to the creation and management of Parent Teacher Associations and/or Old Pupils Associations	No	Current year + 6 years then REVIEW	SECURE DISPOSAL	

This section deals with all matters of Human Resources management within the school.

2.1 Recruitment					
Ref	Basic file description	Data Protection Issues	Retention Period [Operational]	Action at the end of the administrative life of the record	Annual Review Completed Tick (v)
2.1.1	All records leading up to the appointment of a new headteacher	Yes	Date of appointment + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
2.1.2	All records leading up to the appointment of a new member of staff – unsuccessful candidates	Yes	Date of appointment of successful candidate + 6 months	SECURE DISPOSAL	
2.1.3	All records leading up to the appointment of a new member of staff – successful candidate	Yes	All the relevant information should be added to the staff personal file (see below) and all other information retained for 6 months	SECURE DISPOSAL	
2.1.4	Pre-employment vetting information – DBS Checks	No	The school does not have to keep copies of DBS certificates. If the school does so the copy must NOT be retained for more than 6 months		

2.1.5	Proofs of identity collected as part of the process of checking “portable” enhanced DBS disclosure	Yes	Where possible these should be checked and a note kept of what was seen and what has been checked. If it is felt necessary to keep copy documentation then this should be placed on the member of staff’s personal file		
2.1.6	Pre-employment vetting information – Evidence proving the right to work in the United Kingdom	Yes	Where possible these documents should be added to the Staff Personal File [see below], but if they are kept separately then the Home Office requires that the documents are kept for termination of Employment plus not less than two years		

2.2 Operational Staff Management

Ref	Basic file description	Data Protection Issues	Retention Period [Operational]	Action at the end of the administrative life of the record	Annual Review Completed Tick (v)
2.2.1	Staff Personal File	Yes	Termination of Employment + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
2.2.2	Timesheets	Yes	Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
2.2.3	Annual appraisal/ assessment records	Yes	Current year + 5 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	

2.3 Management of Disciplinary and Grievance Processes

Ref	Basic file description	Data Protection Issues	Retention Period [Operational]	Action at the end of the administrative life of the record	Annual Review Completed Tick (v)
2.3.1	Allegation of a child protection nature against a member of staff including where the allegation is unfounded	Yes	Until the person's normal retirement age or 10 years from the date of the allegation whichever is the longer then REVIEW. Note allegations that are found to be malicious should be removed from personnel files.	SECURE DISPOSAL These records must be shredded	
2.3.2	Disciplinary Proceedings	Yes			
	oral warning		Date of warning + 6 months	SECURE DISPOSAL [If warnings are placed on personal files then they must be weeded from the file]	
	written warning – level 1		Date of warning + 6 months		
	written warning – level 2		Date of warning + 12 months		
	final warning		Date of warning + 18 months		
	case not found		If the incident is child protection related then see above otherwise dispose of at the conclusion of the case	SECURE DISPOSAL	

2.4 Health and Safety					
Ref	Basic file description	Data Protection Issues	Retention Period [Operational]	Action at the end of the administrative life of the record	Annual Review Completed Tick (v)
2.4.1	Health and Safety Policy Statements	No	Life of policy + 3 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
2.4.2	Health and Safety Risk Assessments	No	Life of risk assessment + 3 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
2.4.3	Records relating to accident/ injury at work	Yes	Date of incident + 12 years In the case of serious accidents a further retention period will need to be applied	SECURE DISPOSAL	
2.4.4	Accident Reporting	Yes			
	Adults		Date of the incident + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
	Children		DOB of the child + 25 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
2.4.5	Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (COSHH)	No	Current year + 40 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
2.4.6	Process of monitoring of areas where employees and persons are likely to have come in contact with asbestos	No	Last action + 40 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
2.4.7	Process of monitoring of areas where employees and persons are likely to have come in contact with radiation	No	Last action + 50 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	

2.4.8	Fire Precautions log books	No	Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
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2.4 Payroll and Pensions

Ref	Basic file description	Data Protection Issues	Retention Period [Operational]	Action at the end of the administrative life of the record	Annual Review Completed Tick (v)
2.5.1	Maternity pay records	Yes	Current year + 3 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
2.5.2	Records held under Retirement Benefits Schemes (Information Powers) Regulations 1995	Yes	Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	

Financial Management of the School

This section deals with all aspects of the financial management of the school including the administration of school meals

3.1 Risk Management and Insurance

Ref	Basic file description	Data Protection Issues	Retention Period [Operational]	Action at the end of the administrative life of the record	Annual Review Completed Tick (v)
3.1.1	Employer's Liability Insurance Certificate	No	Closure of the school + 40 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	

3.2 Asset Management

Ref	Basic file description	Data Protection Issues	Retention Period [Operational]	Action at the end of the administrative life of the record	Annual Review Completed Tick (v)
3.2.1	Inventories of furniture and equipment	No	Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
3.2.2	Burglary, theft and vandalism report forms	No	Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	

3.3 Accounts and Statements including Budget Management

Ref	Basic file description	Data Protection Issues	Retention Period [Operational]	Action at the end of the administrative life of the record	Annual Review Completed Tick (v)
3.3.1	Annual Accounts	No	Current year + 6 years	STANDARD DISPOSAL	
3.3.2	Loans and grants managed by the school	No	Date of last payment on the loan + 12 years then REVIEW	SECURE DISPOSAL	

3.3.3	Student Grant applications	Yes	Current year + 3 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
3.3.4	All records relating to the creation and management of budgets including the Annual Budget statement and background papers	No	Life of the budget + 3 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
3.3.5	Invoices, receipts, order books and requisitions, delivery notices	No	Current financial year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
3.3.6	Records relating to the collection and banking of monies	No	Current financial year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
3.3.7	Records relating to the identification and collection of debt	No	Current financial year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	

3.4 Contract Management					
Ref	Basic file description	Data Protection Issues	Retention Period [Operational]	Action at the end of the administrative life of the record	Annual Review Completed Tick (v)
3.4.1	All records relating to the management of contracts under seal	No	Last payment on the contract + 12 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
3.4.2	All records relating to the management of contracts under signature	No	Last payment on the contract + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
3.4.3	Records relating to the monitoring of contracts	No	Current year + 2 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	

3.5 School Fund					
Ref	Basic file description	Data Protection Issues	Retention Period [Operational]	Action at the end of the administrative life of the record	Annual Review Completed Tick (v)
3.5.1	School Fund - Cheque books	No	Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
3.5.2	School Fund - Paying in books	No	Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
3.5.3	School Fund – Ledger	No	Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
3.5.4	School Fund – Invoices	No	Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
3.5.5	School Fund – Receipts	No	Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
3.5.6	School Fund - Bank statements	No	Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
3.5.7	School Fund – Journey Books	No	Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	

3.6 School Meals					
Ref	Basic file description	Data Protection Issues	Retention Period [Operational]	Action at the end of the administrative life of the record	Annual Review Completed Tick (v)
3.6.1	Free School Meals Registers	Yes	Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
3.6.2	School Meals Registers	Yes	Current year + 3 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
3.6.3	School Meals Summary Sheets	No	Current year + 3 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	

Property Management

This section covers the management of buildings and property.

4.1 Property Management					
Ref	Basic file description	Data Protection Issues	Retention Period [Operational]	Action at the end of the administrative life of the record	Annual Review Completed Tick (v)
4.1.1	Title deeds of properties belonging to the school	No	PERMANENT These should follow the property unless the property has been registered with the Land Registry		
4.1.2	Plans of property belong to the school	No	These should be retained whilst the building belongs to the school and should be passed onto any new owners if the building is leased or sold.		
4.1.3	Leases of property leased by or to the school	No	Expiry of lease + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
4.1.4	Records relating to the letting of school premises	No	Current financial year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	

4.2 Maintenance					
Ref	Basic file description	Data Protection Issues	Retention Period [Operational]	Action at the end of the administrative life of the record	Annual Review Completed Tick (v)
4.2.1	All records relating to the maintenance of the school carried out by contractors	No	Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	

4.2.2	All records relating to the maintenance of the school carried out by school employees including maintenance log books	No	Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
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Pupil Management

This section includes all records which are created during the time a pupil spends at the school. For information about accident reporting see under Health and Safety above

5.1 Pupil's Educational Record					
Ref	Basic file description	Data Protection Issues	Retention Period [Operational]	Action at the end of the administrative life of the record	Annual Review Completed Tick (✓)
5.1.1	Pupil's Educational Record required by The Education (Pupil Information) (England) Regulations 2005	Yes			
	Primary		Retain whilst the child remains at the primary school	The file should follow the pupil when he/she leaves the primary school. ³	
	Secondary		Date of Birth of the pupil + 25 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
5.1.2	Examination Results – Pupil Copies	Yes			
	Public		This information should be added to the pupil file	All uncollected certificates should be returned to the examination board.	
	Internal		This information should be added to the pupil file		

³ This will include: (i) to another primary school (ii) to a secondary school (iii) to a pupil referral unit (iv) If the pupil dies whilst at primary school the file should be returned to the Local Authority to be retained for the statutory retention period. If the pupil transfers to an independent school, transfers to home schooling or leaves the country the file should be returned to the Local Authority to be retained for the statutory retention period. Primary Schools do not ordinarily have sufficient storage space to store records for pupils who have not transferred in the normal way. It makes more sense to transfer the record to the Local Authority as it is more likely that the pupil will request the record from the Local Authority

5.1.3	Child Protection information held on pupil file		If any records relating to child protection issues are placed on the pupil file, it should be in a sealed envelope and then retained for the same period of time as the pupil file.	SECURE DISPOSAL – these records MUST be shredded	
5.1.4	Child protection information held in separate files		DOB of the child + 25 years then review This retention period was agreed in consultation with the Safeguarding Children Group on the understanding that the principal copy of this information will be found on the Local Authority Social Services record	SECURE DISPOSAL – these records MUST be shredded	

5.2 Attendance					
Ref	Basic file description	Data Protection Issues	Retention Period [Operational]	Action at the end of the administrative life of the record	Annual Review Completed Tick (v)
5.2.1	Attendance Registers	Yes	Every entry in the attendance register must be preserved for a period of three years after the date on which the entry was made.	SECURE DISPOSAL	
5.2.2	Correspondence relating to authorized absence		Current academic year + 2 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	

5.3 Special Educational Needs					
Ref	Basic file description	Data Protection Issues	Retention Period [Operational]	Action at the end of the administrative life of the record	Annual Review Completed Tick (v)

5.3.1	Special Educational Needs files, reviews and Individual Education Plans	Yes	Date of Birth of the pupil + 25 years	REVIEW NOTE: This retention period is the minimum retention period that any pupil file should be kept. Some authorities choose to keep SEN files for a longer period of time to defend themselves in a “failure to provide a sufficient education” case. There is an element of business risk analysis involved in any decision to keep the records longer than the minimum retention period and this should be documented.	
5.3.2	EHCP maintained under section 234 of the Education Act 1990 and any amendments made to the EHCP	Yes	Date of birth of the pupil + 25 years [This would normally be retained on the pupil file]	SECURE DISPOSAL unless the document is subject to a legal hold	
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			Date of birth of the pupil + 25 years [This would normally be retained on the pupil file]	SECURE DISPOSAL unless the document is subject to a legal hold	

6.1 Statistics and Management Information					
Ref	Basic file description	Data Protection Issues	Retention Period [Operational]	Action at the end of the administrative life of the record	Annual Review Completed Tick (✓)
6.1.1	Curriculum returns	No	Current year + 3 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
6.1.2	Examination Results (Schools Copy)	Yes	Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
	SATS records –	Yes			
	Results		The SATS results should be recorded on the pupil's educational file and will therefore be retained until the pupil reaches the age of 25 years. The school may wish to keep a composite record of all the whole year SATs results. These could be kept for current year + 6 years to allow suitable comparison	SECURE DISPOSAL	
	Examination Papers		The examination papers should be kept until any appeals/validation process is complete	SECURE DISPOSAL	
6.1.3	Published Admission Number (PAN) Reports	Yes	Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
6.1.4	Value Added and Contextual Data	Yes	Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
6.1.5	Self-Evaluation Forms	Yes	Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	

6.2 Implementation of Curriculum

Ref	Basic file description	Data Protection Issues	Retention Period [Operational]	Action at the end of the administrative life of the record	Annual Review Completed Tick (v)
6.2.1	Schemes of Work	No	Current year + 1 year	Review these records at the end of each year and allocate a further retention period or SECURE DISPOSAL	
6.2.2	Timetable	No	Current year + 1 year		
6.2.3	Class Record Books	No	Current year + 1 year		
6.2.4	Mark Books	No	Current year + 1 year		
6.2.5	Record homework set	No	Current year + 1 year		
6.2.6	Pupils' Work	No	Where possible pupils' work should be returned to the pupil at the end of the academic year if this is not the school's policy then current year + 1 year	SECURE DISPOSAL	

Extra Curriculum Management

7.1 Educational Visits outside the Classroom					
Ref	Basic file description	Data Protection Issues	Retention Period [Operational]	Action at the end of the administrative life of the record	Annual Review Completed Tick (v)
7.1.1	Records created by schools to obtain approval to run an Educational Visit outside the Classroom—Primary Schools	No	Date of visit + 14 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	

7.1.2	Records created by schools to obtain approval to run an Educational Visit outside the Classroom – Secondary Schools	No	Date of visit + 10 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
7.1.3	Parental consent forms for school trips where there has been no major incident	Yes	Conclusion of the trip	Although the consent forms could be retained for DOB + 22 years, the requirement for them being needed is low and most schools do not have the storage capacity to retain every single consent form issued by the school for this period of time.	
7.1.4	Parental permission slips for school trips – where there has been a major incident	Yes	DOB of the pupil involved in the incident + 25 years The permission slips for all the pupils on the trip need to be retained to show that the rules had been followed for all pupils		

8. CENTRAL GOVERNMENT AND LOCAL AUTHORITY

8.1 Local Authority					
Ref	Basic file description	Data Protection Issues	Retention Period [Operational]	Action at the end of the administrative life of the record	Annual Review Completed Tick (v)
8.1.1	Secondary Transfer Sheets (Primary)	Yes	Current year + 2 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	

8.1.2	Attendance Returns	Yes	Current year + 1 year	SECURE DISPOSAL	
8.1.3	School Census Returns	No	Current year + 5 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
8.1.4	Circulars and other information sent from the Local Authority	No	Operational use	SECURE DISPOSAL	

8.2 Central Government					
Ref	Basic file description	Data Protection Issues	Retention Period [Operational]	Action at the end of the administrative life of the record	Annual Review Completed Tick (v)
8.2.1	OFSTED reports and papers	No	Life of the report then REVIEW	SECURE DISPOSAL	
8.2.2	Returns made to central government	No	Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL	
8.2.3	Circulars and other information sent from central government	No	Operational use	SECURE DISPOSAL	

