



Your information

Why the Local Authority and school need it,
and what we do with it



Your Information

The Local Authority and schools collect information.

Things like:

- How many learners are in each school;
- Attendance records;
- Exam and test results;
- How many children are educated somewhere other than at school;
- What young people choose to do after they're 16.

The Local Authority and schools also collect personal information.

Everyone has personal information:

- Your name;
- Address;
- Date of Birth;
- The names of parents or carers.

This helps people know who you are, and what you need.





A new law

There are new laws about how to keep personal information safe. They give you more control over your personal information.

In 2018, a new law was introduced called the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).

It makes sure anyone collecting information has to:

- Explain about why they want it;
- Be clear about what they will do with it;
- Ensure they keep your data safe;
- Destroy it when they no longer require it.

What information do we get?

The Local Authority and schools have to collect information to ensure you are safe, and help make sure you receive a good level of education.



The information we collect about you includes:

- Personal details like your name, address, date of birth;
- Your attendance records and any actions taken to deal with problems;
- Any extra support you need to help you learn;
- any support you get from social care services;
- your school tests and exam results.

This information helps us know who you are, and what you need.



What are we doing with your information?

We use information in different ways.

We use it to keep you safe

We keep information such as:

- The names of parents or carers, and their contact details;
- Medical needs.

This helps to ensure you are safe when you are in school.

We study it

We study the information to:

- Ensure you receive a good education;
- Understand if you need any extra support;
- Safeguard and protect you.

Sharing your information

If we share your personal information we will explain who we are sharing it with, and we'll keep it safe.

We only share information containing personal details with organisations listed in the regulations. The list has places like:

- A new school;
- Welsh Government;
- Careers Wales, so you get the right training for work.

We also share information that does not contain personal details. We share it with organisations that we've asked to study it for us. They do this:

- For a reason like helping us plan for the future;
- Following the rules;
- For a set time;
- Then they must destroy the information.

The school and Local Authority will retain and destroy the information in line with their retention schedules (how long we keep your data), these can be obtained from the contact details on the back page.

We keep information that does not contain your personal details to study for as long as we need to.

Your rights

You have the right to:

- See any personal information we have about you;
- Ask us to change any information that you think is wrong;
- Ask us to not share your information, unless we need to get you support or keep you safe;
- Ask us to remove information from our systems.

You can complain if you think we're not respecting your rights.

There's an Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) to help.





Thanks for reading this.

If you want to know more, then contact your Headteacher, or the person in your school responsible for Data Protection.

Local Authority details:

Wrexham County Borough Council.

The Schools Data Protection Officer (DPO) can be contacted at:

SchoolsDPO@Wrexham.gov.uk

You can also contact:

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