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Data protection in schools

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Sharing personal data

Who you can share personal data with and what consent you need to get – for example, when publishing exam results and taking photos in school.

To keep children and young people safe in school, you need to share information appropriately, so the correct decisions can be made to protect them.

You must have a compelling reason to share their personal data. Sharing children's data with third parties can expose them to unintended risks if not done properly. You should carry out a [data protection impact assessment](#) to assess any risk before sharing personal information about your pupils.

The Information Commissioner's Office has a [data sharing information hub](#) that includes further guidance on data sharing. Any data you share must comply with their [data sharing code of practice](#).

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