

Use of Biometric Systems

If the school uses biometric systems (e.g. fingerprint/palm recognition technologies) to identify children for access, attendance recording, charging, library lending etc. it may be required, or choose to seek permission from a parent or carer.

The school uses biometric systems for the recognition of individual children in the following ways (the school should describe here how it uses the biometric system).

Biometric technologies have certain advantages over other automatic identification systems as pupils do not need to remember to bring anything with them (to the canteen or school library) so nothing can be lost, such as a swipe card. The school has carried out a data privacy impact assessment and is confident that the use of such technologies is effective and justified in a school context.

No complete images of fingerprints/palms are stored and the original image cannot be reconstructed from the data. Meaning that it is not possible, for example, to recreate a pupil's fingerprint or even the image of a fingerprint from what is in effect a string of numbers.

As the school is collecting special category personal data and **delete as appropriate** sharing this with a third party, it should inform parents/carers about:

This Form (electronic or printed)

- Who will have access to this form
- Where this form will be stored
- How long this form will be stored for
- How this form will be destroyed

The Data Shared with the Service Provider

- What data will be shared
- Who the data will be shared with
- Who will have access to the data
- Where the data will be stored
- How long the data will be stored for
- How the data will be destroyed
- How consent to process the biometric data can be withdrawn

Parent/Carers Name:

Student/Pupil Name:

As the parent/carer of the above student/pupil, I agree to the school using Yes/No
biometric recognition systems, as described above.

I understand that the images cannot be used to create a whole fingerprint/palm
print of my child and that these images will not be shared with anyone outside Yes/No
the school.

Signed:

Student/Pupil Acceptable Use Agreement

On the following pages we have copied, for the information of parents and carers, the
Student/Pupil Acceptable Use Agreement.

It is suggested that when the Student/Pupil AUP is written that a copy should be attached to
the Parents/Carers Acceptable Use Agreement to provide information for parents and carers
about the rules and behaviours that students/pupils have committed to by signing the form.