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Dear Parent/Guardian,

On the 25th May 2018, the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) comes into force in the UK. These are new data protection regulations which build upon the Data Protection Act of 1998.

The GDPR require public authorities and businesses to identify the lawful basis for storing personal data, audit information we already hold and take a 'data protection by design and default' approach to personal data.

We take data protection very seriously at St. Mary's C of E Primary School. In line with GDPR requirements, we have already appointed a Data Protection Officer, Jon Clarke our Safeguarding Governor, to oversee our approach to data management and protection.

In order to ensure that we comply with the new regulations, we are reviewing our current policies and practices. We are in the process of updating our privacy notices in line with the new requirements. We will be providing you with the link to follow to our website in due course.

As part of this compliance process, we are also seeking to update the consent forms/home school agreements we have received from parents and pupils. The new regulations are clear that consent must be up-to-date and clearly recorded. From now on, lack of response cannot be interpreted as implied consent. We therefore ask that you return these to us promptly when you receive them.

To learn more about the General Data Protection Regulation, please visit the Information Commissioner's Office website on <http://ico.org.uk>

Yours sincerely,

V.M. Hunt
Headteacher

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Chair of Governors

Do unto others as you would have them do to you (Luke 6:310)

