



Confidentiality Statement for Parents and Carers

Confidentiality at Benington C of E Primary School

At Benington C of E Primary School, we are committed to creating a safe, supportive and trusting environment for all children, families and staff. We understand that parents and carers may need to share personal or sensitive information with us, and we will always treat this information with respect and care.

Information shared with school will be kept confidential and will only be shared with staff who need to know in order to support a child's education, welfare, health or safety.

There are, however, limits to confidentiality. We cannot promise to keep information secret if:

- A child or another person is at risk of harm.
- There are safeguarding or child protection concerns.
- We are required to share information by law.
- Sharing information is necessary to access appropriate support for a child or family.

Where possible, we will discuss with parents/carers when information needs to be shared and explain who will be informed and why. However, in some circumstances, particularly where there are safeguarding concerns, we may need to act immediately without prior consultation.

We encourage open and honest communication between home and school and will always seek to work in partnership with families while keeping the safety, wellbeing and best interests of children at the centre of all decisions.

If you have any questions about confidentiality or information sharing, please speak to the Headteacher or Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL).

"We are obligated to honour secrets told to us in confidence, unless there is a pressing reason not to."

Proverbs 11:13, 12:23

Benington C of E Primary School follows information-sharing and safeguarding procedures in line with statutory guidance and our Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy.