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Dear Parent/Carer

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

The GDPR requires 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. In line with GDPR requirements, we have appointed a Data Protection Officer, Mr J Griffiths, 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 have already updated our privacy notices in line with the new requirements. These can be found on the website at www.tbshs.org/GDPR.

As part of this compliance process, we will be seeking to update the consent, where necessary, that we have previously received from parents and students over the coming weeks. The new regulations are clear that consent must be up-todate and clearly recorded. From now on, lack of response cannot be interpreted as implied consent. We therefore ask that you to complete and return these to us promptly when they are circulated.

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

Yours sincerely,

Mr Dale Reeve Headteacher



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