



**Information
Governance Team**
Children's Services
East Sussex County Council



Dear Mr Procter,

'Outstanding' data protection compliance

Having completed compliance reviews across all our schools, the East Sussex County Council Information Governance team would like to offer our congratulations to you for being one of only two federations to receive an 'Outstanding' grading for your data protection compliance.

When conducting our information governance compliance reviews across schools, yours stood out as one of the best examples. Data protection policies and procedures were clearly embedded with a thorough and consistent approach and good awareness across the whole school. Colleagues had engaged with the resources and training available from our service and adapted these effectively to suit the needs of your school.

The 'Outstanding' grading is a real testament to the hard work of colleagues in your school: whether that is the input from data protection leads, guidance from school leadership or support from members of the wider school community. It is not possible to achieve this level of compliance without the engagement of all staff so well done. Please pass on our congratulations to those members of staff involved in your school's compliance journey so far.

As a way of celebrating the hard work that has gone into achieving this outcome at your school, we have created an 'Outstanding' logo for you to use. This has been created at the suggestion of one of our schools and enables you to promote and celebrate the hard work of your staff in the very important, but often overlooked, area of data protection. You can use this logo in whatever way you feel is most appropriate: it could be included on your school website, incorporated into the email footer for staff with data protection responsibilities or displayed in school.



Our team will be in touch again soon, if we have not been already, to arrange our 6 month follow up conversation and we look forward to seeing how you have been able to continue and develop your data protection compliance even further since the review meeting.

Please also remember that our team is still working during these challenging times so you can contact us as usual if you have any questions relating to data protection or information governance.

Yours sincerely,

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