Baginton Fields School RECORD RETENTION SCHEDULE

September 2020



This retention schedule contains recommended retention periods for the different record series created and maintained by the schools Data Protection Officer. This schedule refers to all information regardless of the media in which it is stored (if records are retained electronically any backup copies should be destroyed at the same time). Some of the retention periods are governed by statute. Others are guidelines following best practice. Every effort has been made to ensure that these retention periods are compliant with the requirements of the General Data Protection Regulation 2016. Except for those that are governed by statute, if record series are to be kept for longer or shorter periods than laid out in this document, the reasons for this will be documented.

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Basic File Description	Data Protection Issues	Statutory Provisions	Retention Period	Action at the end of administrative life of the record
1. Child Protection				
1.1 Child Protection Files	Yes	Education Act 2002, s175, related guidance "Safeguarding Children in Education" September 2004.	DOB + 25 years Review periodically if necessary to retain for a longer period of time (Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse).	SECURE DISPOSAL
1.2 Allegation of a child protection nature against a member of staff, including where the allegation is unfounded.	Yes	"Keeping Children Safe in Education: Statutory Guidance for Schools and Colleges March 2015"; Working together to safeguard children. A guide to inter-agency working to safeguard and promote the welfare of children March 2015.	Until the person's normal retirement age, or 10 years from the date of the allegation whichever is the longer. Details of allegations that are found to be malicious should be removed from personnel records.	SECURE DISPOSAL- MUST BE SHREDDED

NB: 1 year means 1 academic year.

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	Issues			record
2. Governors and Governin	ig Body			
	If dealing			SECURE DISPOSAL ¹
2.1 Minutes	with			
	confidential			
	issues			
Principal Set			Permanent	If the school is unable to
				store these then they should
				be offered to a secure
				archive service.
Inspection minutes			Date of meeting + 3 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
	If dealing		One copy to be retained with master	SECURE DISPOSAL
2.2 Agendas	with		set of minutes. All other copies to be	
	confidential		disposed of.	
	issues			
	If containing		Date of report + minimum 6 years or	SECURE DISPOSAL or retain
2.3 Reports	confidential		if minutes refer directly to individual	with signed set of minutes
	information		reports then kept in existence with	
	about staff		referenced report.	
	Potential	S33 Education Act 2002	Date of meeting + minimum 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
2.4 Annual Parents meeting			,	
documents				
	No		Permanent	Retain while school remains
2.6 Instruments of				open or archived with a
Government				secure archiving company.
	No		Date of action plan + 3 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
2.7 Action Plans				

2.8 Policy Documents	No		Retain in school whilst policy is operational (this includes if the expired policy is part of a past decision making process)	SECURE DISPOSAL
2.10 Records relating to complaints dealt with by Governing body.	Yes	Limitation Act 1980	Date of resolution of complaint + 6 years then review in case of contentious disputes.	SECURE DISPOSAL
2.11 Annual Reports required by the Department for Education	No	Education (Governors' Annual Reports) (England)(Amendment)Regulations 2002.SI 2002 No 1171	Date of report + 10 years	SECURE DISPOSAL

¹ Meaning to shred/dispose of in confidential waste.

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3. Head Teacher and S	enior Managem	nent Team		
3.1 Log Books maintained by Head Teacher	Yes if reference to individuals		Date of last entry in the book + minimum 6 years then review	SECURE DISPOSAL
3.2 Minutes of the Senior Management Team and other internal administrative bodies	Yes if reference to individuals		Date of meeting + 3 years then review	SECURE DISPOSAL
3.3 Reports made by the Head Teacher or the Management Team	Yes if reference to individuals		Date of report + minimum 6 years then review	SECURE DISPOSAL
3.4 4 Records created by head teachers, deputy head teachers, heads of year and other members of staff with administrative responsibilities	Yes if reference to individuals		Closure of file + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
3.5 Correspondence created by head teachers, deputy head teachers, heads of year and other members of staff with administrative responsibilities	Yes if reference to individuals		Date of correspondence + 3 years then review	SECURE DISPOSAL

	Yes	Life of the plan + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
3.6 Professional			
development plans			
	No	Life of the plan + 3 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
3.7 School development			
plans			

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4. Admissions Process				
4.1 All records relating to the creation and implementation of the School Admissions Policy	No	School Admission Code Statutory Guidance for admission authorities, governing bodies, school adjudicators and admission appeals panels December 2014	Life of the Policy + 3 years then review	SECURE DISPOSAL
4.2 Admissions -if the admission is successful	Yes	School Admission Code as above Limitation Act 1980	Date of admission + 1 year and added to student file	SECURE DISPOSAL
4.3 Admissions - if the appeal is unsuccessful	Yes	School Admission Code Statutory Guidance for admission authorities, governing bodies, school adjudicators and admission appeals panels December 2014	Resolution of case + 1 year	SECURE DISPOSAL
4.4 Registry of admissions	Yes	School attendance: School attendance guidance for maintained schools, academies, independent schools and local authorities November 2016.	Preserved for 3 years after entry	Schools must notify the local authority when a student's name is to be deleted from the admission register under regulation 8 of the Education (Student Registration) (England) Regulations 2006 SECURE DISPOSAL
4.5 Admissions - Secondary Schools -Casual	Yes		End of student relationship + 1 year	SECURE DISPOSAL
4.6 Proofs of address supplied by parents as part of the admissions process	Yes		Current year + 1 year	SECURE DISPOSAL

	Yes	End of student relationship + 1 year	SECURE DISPOSAL
4.7 Supplementary			
Information form including			
additional information such			
as religion, medical			
conditions etc.			

Basic File Description	Data Protection Issues	Statutory Provisions	Retention Period	Action at the end of administrative life of the record
5. Students				
5.1 Admission Registers	Yes		Current year of last entry + 6 years	SECURE ARCHIVE UNTIL Date of Destruction
5.2 Attendance registers	Yes	School attendance: Departmental advice for maintained schools, academies, independent schools and local authorities 2016.	Date of Register + 3 years	SECURE DISPOSAL [If these records are retained electronically any backup copies should be destroyed at the same time]
5.3 Student Education Record	Yes	Education (Student Information) (England) Regulations 2005 SI 2005 No. 1437 Limitation Act 1980 (Section 2)	DOB of the student + 25 years Retain if relevant to Part 1 of this Schedule.	SECURE DISPOSAL
5.4 Special Educational Needs Files, review and Individual Education plans	Yes		DOB of the student + 25 years then review	SECURE DISPOSAL
5.5 Correspondence Relating to Authorised Absence and Issues	No		Date of absence + 2 years; if kept on education record please refer to 5.3; if kept on attendance register refer to 5.2	SECURE DISPOSAL
5.6 Examination results				
5.6a. Public	No		This information should be added to student file	All uncollected certificates to be returned to examining body
5.6b. Internal	Yes		This information should be added to student file	If these records are retained on the student file or in their National Record of

				Achievement they need only be kept for as long as operationally necessary. SECURE DISPOSAL
5.7 Child Protection Information held on student file	Yes	"Keeping children safe in education Statutory guidance for schools and colleges March 2015." "Working together to safeguard children. A guide to inter-agency working to safeguard and promote the welfare of children."	If any records relating to child protection issues are placed on the student file, it should be in a sealed envelope and then retained for the same period of time as the student file.	SECURE DISPOSAL- these records must be shredded
5.8 Child Protection Information held on separate files	Yes	"Keeping children safe in education Statutory guidance for schools and colleges March 2015." "Working together to safeguard children. A guide to inter-agency working to safeguard and promote the welfare of children."	End of relationship with student + 1 year on the understanding that the principal copy of this information will remain with Local Authority social services. Electronic copies must be removed from the schools MIS within the same time period.	SECURE DISPOSAL- these records must be shredded
5.9 Any other records created in the course of contact with students e.g. conduct/behaviour records	Yes/No		Kept on education file DOB + 25 years (secondary)	SECURE DISPOSAL.
5.10 Student work	Yes		Return to student at end of academic year. If not possible, retain for current academic year + 1 year.	SECURE DISPOSAL

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6. School Trips and Ext	ra-curricular ac	tivities		
6.1 Parental permission slips for school trips - where there has been no major incident	Yes		Conclusion of the trip	Although the consent forms could be retained for DOB + 25 years, the requirement for them is low. Possible to archive.
6.2 Parental permission slips for school trips - where there has been a major incident	Yes	Limitation Act 1980	DOB of the student involved in the incident + 25 years The permission slips for all students on the trip need to be retained to show that the rules had been followed for all students	SECURE DISPOSAL
6.3 Records created by schools to obtain approval to run an Educational Visit outside the Classroom - Secondary Schools	No	Outdoor Education Advisers' Panel National Guidance website hhtp://oeapng.info specifically section 3 – "Legal Framework and Employer Systems" and Section4 "Good Practice".	Date of visit + 10 years	SECURE DISPOSAL

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7. Special Educational	Needs			
7.1 SEN files, reviews and individual educational plans	Yes	Limitation Act 1980	Secondary: DOB + 25 years	Review Note: Some Local Authorities will keep SEN files for a longer period of time in case of a claim. Business risk analysis.
7.2 EHC under section 37 The Children and Families Act 2014	Yes		Secondary: End of the academic year in which the student reaches 25 years (maintained in student file) or until they leave the education establishment.	Review and SECURE DISPOSAL
7.3 Advice and information to parents regarding educational needs	Yes	Special Educational Needs and Disability Act 2001 Section 2	Secondary: End of the academic year in which the student reaches 25 years (maintained in student file)	SECURE DISPOSAL unless subject to a legal hold
7.4 Accessibility Strategy	Yes	Special Educational Needs and Disability Act 2001 Section 14	DOB of student + 25 years (maintained in student file)	SECURE DISPOSAL unless subject to a legal hold

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8. Curriculum				
8.1 Curriculum returns (expected outcomes for learning)	No		Current year + 3 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
8.2 Schemes of work	No		Current year + 1 year	It may be appropriate to review these records at the end of each year and allocate a new retention period or SECURE DISPOSAL
8.3 Timetable	No		Current year + 1 year	It may be appropriate to review these records at the end of each year and allocate a new retention period or SECURE DISPOSAL
8.4 Class record sheets	No		Current year + 1 year	It may be appropriate to review these records at the end of each year and allocate a new retention period or SECURE DISPOSAL
8.5 Mark Books/ Personalised Assessment Sheet	No		Current year + 1 year	It may be appropriate to review these records at the end of each year and allocate a new retention period or SECURE DISPOSAL

	No	Current year + 1 year	It may be appropriate to
8.6 Record of homework set			review these records at the
			end of each year and
			allocate a new retention
			period or SECURE DISPOSAL
	Potentially	Current year + 1 year	SECURE DISPOSAL
8.7 Students' work		OR	
		return to student at the end of the	
		academic year where possible.	
	Yes		SECURE DISPOSAL
8.8 Examination Papers		Examination papers should be kept	
		until any further appeal/validation	PSEUDONYMISATION
		process is complete.	
	Yes	Termination of student at primary	SECURE DISPOSAL
8.9 PAN Reports		school transferred to secondary.	
		Secondary kept on student file.	
	Yes	Termination of student at primary	SECURE DISPOSAL
8.10 Value added and		school transferred to secondary.	
contextual Data		Secondary kept on student file.	
	Yes	Termination of student at primary	SECURE DISPOSAL
8.11 Self Evaluation forms		school transferred to secondary.	
		Secondary kept on student file.	

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9. Recruitment				
9.1 All records leading up to the appointment of a new Head Teacher.	Yes		Date of Appointment + 6 years from retirement.	SECURE DISPOSAL
9.2 All records leading up to the new appointment of a new member of staff-unsuccessful candidate.	Yes		Date of appointment of successful candidate + 6 months	SECURE DISPOSAL
9.3 All records leading up to the new appointment of a new member of staff-successful candidate.	Yes		All relevant information to be added to staff personal file and all other info retained for 6 months	SECURE DISPOSAL
9.4 Interview notes and recruitment records.	Yes		Date of interview + 6 months	SECURE DISPOSAL
9.5 Pre-employment vetting information - DBS checks.	Yes	DBS Update service Employer Guide June 2014: Keeping children safe in education July 2015 (Dept. Education s73, 74).	The school does NOT have to keep DBS certificates. If the schools does, do not keep for more than 6 months.	SECURE DISPOSAL
9.6 Pre-employment vetting information – Evidence proving the right to work in the UK.	Yes	An employer's guide to right to work checks [Home Office June 2018]	Store on staff personal file for duration of their employment + minimum 2 years	SECURE DISPOSAL

	Yes		Where possible these should	SECURE DISPOSAL
9.7 Proof of identity			be checked and a note kept	
collected as part of the			of the check. If it is felt	
'portable' enhanced DBS			necessary to keep copy	
disclosure.			documentation then this	
			should be placed on the	
			member of staff's personal	
			file.	
	Yes		Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
9.8 Timesheets, sick pay				
	Yes		Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
9.8a Return to work forms				
	Yes	Limitation Act 1980 (section 2)	Date of termination + 6	SECURE DISPOSAL
9.9 Staff Personnel files			years	
		ing relates to child protection issues see 1.2.		elate to a child protection
9.10 Disciplinary	matter please co	ontact your safeguarding officer for further ac	dvice.	
proceedings:				
9.10a oral warning	Yes		The school may wish to keep	SECURE DISPOSAL
9.10b written warning level	Yes		this information on the staff	SECURE DISPOSAL
1			personnel file	
9.10c written warning level 2	Yes			SECURE DISPOSAL
9.10d final warning	Yes			SECURE DISPOSAL
9.10e case not found	Yes		If the incident is child	SECURE DISPOSAL
			protection related see 1.2	
			otherwise dispose of at	
			conclusion of the case /	
			review if necessary.	

	Yes	Date of incident +7 years or	SECURE DISPOSAL
9.11 Records relating to		if kept on staff file then refer	
accident/injury at work		to personal file years In the	
		case of serious accidents a	
		further retention period will	
		need to be applied	
	Yes	Duration of time of School	SECURE DISPOSAL
9.12 Annual		members of staff that are no	
appraisal/assessment		longer at the school current	
records		year + 5 years	

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10. Health and Safety				
10.1 Health and Safety Policy Statement	No		Life of Policy + 3 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
10.2 Accessibility Plans	No	Equality Act 2010	Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
10.3 Accident reporting:	Yes	Social Security (Claims and Payments) Regulations 1979 Regulation 25. Social Security Administration Act 1992 Section 8. Limitation Act 1980 JSP 375 Pt.2 Vol 1 (V1.0 Jan 16) Government Guidance		Retain copy of Health and Safety Policy published at the time of the accident with this file.
• Adults			Date of incident + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
 Children 			DOB + 25 years	SECURE DISPOSAL

	No	Control of substances Hazardous to	Current year + 40 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
10.4 Control Of Substances		Health Regulations 2002. SI 2002 No		
Hazardous to Health OSHH		2677 Regulation 11; Records kept under		
		the 1994 and 1999 Regulations to be		
		kept as if the 2002 regulations had not		
		been made. Regulation 18(2).		
	Potentially		Life of risk assessment + 3	SECURE DISPOSAL
10.5 Risk Assessments and			years	
Personal Evacuation Plans				
	No	Control of Asbestos at work Regulations	Last action + 40 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
10.6 Process of monitoring		2012 SI 1012 No 632 Regulation 19.		
of areas where employees				
and persons are likely to				
have become in contact with				
asbestos.				
	No		Last action + 50 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
10.7 Process of monitoring				
of areas where employees				
and persons are likely to				
have come in contact with				
radiation				
	No		Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
10.8 Emergency evacuation				
log books				

Basic File Description	Data Protection Issues	Statutory Provisions	Retention Period	Action at the end of administrative life of the record
11. Administrative				
11.1 General Files series	No		Current year + 5 years then review	SECURE DISPOSAL
11.2 Records relating to the creation and publication of the school brochure or prospectus	No		Current year + 3 years	STANDARD DISPOSAL
11.3 Records of circulars to staff parents or students	No		Current year + 1 year	STANDARD DISPOSAL
11.4 Newsletters and items with short operational use	No		Current year + 1 year	STANDARD DISPOSAL
11.5 Visitors Books and Signing in sheets	Yes		Current year + 6 years then review	SECURE DISPOSAL
11.6 PTA/Old Students Associations			Current year + 6 years then review	Review to see whether a further retention period is required

Basic File Description	Data Protection Issues	Statutory Provisions	Retention Period	Action at the end of administrative life of the record
12. Asset managemen	t and Insurance			
12.1 Employer's Liability certificate	No		School Closure + 40 years unless held by LA	SECURE DISPOSAL
12.2 Inventories of equipment and furniture	No		Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
12.3 Burglary, theft and vandalism report forms	No		Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL

Basic File Description	Data Protection Issues	Statutory Provisions	Retention Period	Action at the end of administrative life of the record
13. Finance				
13.1 Annual Accounts	No	Financial Regulations	Current year + 6 years	STANDARD DISPOSAL
13.2 Loans and grants	Yes	Financial Regulations	Date of last payment on loan + 12 years then review	Review to see whether further retention is necessary
13.3 Contracts	No			
13.3a under seal	No	Limitation Act 1980	Last payment+ 12 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
13.3b under signature	No	Limitation Act 1980	Last payment + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
13.3c monitoring records			Current year + 2 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
13.5 Budget reports, budget monitoring, budget statements etc.	No		Life of budget + minimum 3 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
13.6 Invoice, receipts, other records covered by the Financial Regulations	No		Current financial year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
13.7 Annual Budget and background papers	No		Current financial year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
13.8 Order books and requisitions	No		Current financial year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL

	No		Current financial year + 6	SECURE DISPOSAL
13.9 Delivery			years	
Documentation	No	Limitation Act 1980	Comment financial years (C	SECURE DISPOSAL
13.10 Debtors' Records, Collection and Banking monies	NO	Limitation Act 1980	Current financial year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
monies	No		Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
13.11 School Fund-Cheque books			current year 7 6 years	SECONE DISTOSALE
13.12 School Fund-Paying in book	No		Current year + 6 years then review	SECURE DISPOSAL
13.13 School Fund - Ledger	No		Current year + 6 years then review	SECURE DISPOSAL
13.14 School Fund - Invoices	No		Current year + 6 years then review	SECURE DISPOSAL
13.15 School Fund - Receipts	No		Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
13.16 School Fund - Bank statements	No		Current year + 6 years then review	SECURE DISPOSAL
13.17 School Fund-School Journey books	No		Current year + 6 years then review	SECURE DISPOSAL
13.18 Student grant applications	Yes		Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
13.20 School meals summary sheet	No		Current year + 3 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
13.21 Petty cash books	No		Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL

14. Payroll	Yes			
14.1 Salary cards	. 55			
14.2 Maternity pay records	Yes	Statutory Maternity Pay (General) Regulations 1986 (SI 1986/1960), revised 1999 (SI 1999/567)	Current year + 6 years unless not held by the school.	SECURE DISPOSAL
14.3 Records held under Retirement Benefits Schemes (Information Powers) Regulations 1995	Yes		Current year+ 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL

Basic File Description	Data Protection Issues	Statutory Provisions	Retention Period	Action at the end of administrative life of the record
15. Property				
15.1 Title Deeds of property belonging to the school	No		 Permanent- These should follow the property unless the property has been registered at the Land Registry. The LA may hold these records. 	
15.2 Plans of property belonging to the school	No		Permanent	Retain in school whilst operational
15.3 Maintenance and contractor records	No		Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
15.4 Leases of property belonging to the school	No		Expiry of lease + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
15.5 Record relating to the Lettings of school premises	No		Current financial year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
15.6 Maintenance log books	No		Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
15.7 Contractors' Reports	No		Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL

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16. Local Authority				
16.1 Attendance returns	Yes		Current year + 1 year if applicable	SECURE DISPOSAL
16.2 Circulars from Local Authority	No		Whilst required operationally then review	SECURE DISPOSAL
16.3 Census Returns	No		Operational Use	SECURE DISPOSAL

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	Issues			life of the record
17. Central Governme	nt			
	No		Life of report then	SECURE DISPOSAL
17.1 OFSTED reports and			review	
papers				
	No		Current year + 6 years	SECURE DISPOSAL
17.2 Returns				
	No		Operational Use	SECURE DISPOSAL
17.3 Circulars from				
Department for Children,				
Schools and Families.				

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18. External agreem	ents	,	,	
	Potential		Retained with	SECURE DISPOSAL
18.1 Service Level			financial returns	
Agreements			current year +6	
			Until superseded	
	Potential		Until superseded	SECURE DISPOSAL
18.2 Data sharing				
agreements				
	Yes		DOB of student + 25	SECURE DISPOSAL
18.3 Work experience			years	
agreements				

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19. Attendance and Welfare				
19.1 Day Books	Yes		Current year + 2 years then review	SECURE DISPOSAL
19.2 Reports for outside agencies - where the report has been included on the case file created by the outside agency	Yes		Termination of student relationship	SECURE DISPOSAL
19.3 Referral forms	Yes		While the referral is current	SECURE DISPOSAL
19.4 Contact data sheets	Yes		Current year then review, if contact is no longer active then destroy	SECURE DISPOSAL
19.5 Contact data base entries			Current year then review, if contact is no longer active then destroy	DELETE
19.6 Group Registers	Yes		Current year + 2 years	SECURE DISPOSAL

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20. Data Protection				
20.1 Subject Access Requests	Yes	Business need	If responded: current year + 2 years then review (depending on request complexity/if supervisory authority involved)	Review + SECURE DISPOSAL
20.2 Freedom of Information Requests	No	Business need	Current academic year + 2 years	Review + DISPOSAL