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Dear Parent/Guardian,

On the 25th May 2018, the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) came into force in the UK. These are new data protection regulations built 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 Thomas More School. In line with GDPR requirements, we have appointed a temporary Data Protection Officer, Mrs Theresa Kelly, (a member of the Board of Governors) 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.

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 any future correspondence to us promptly.

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

Yours sincerely,

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