

HRMS 007 Privacy Policy

This Privacy Policy sets out how St Peter's Girls' School manages personal information provided to or collected by it. Should you have any queries, requests or questions on how the School deals with Privacy, you can contact our appointed Privacy Officer who is the Business Director of the School. The Business Director may be contacted by telephone (ph 8334 2200), e-mail (admin@stpetersgirls.sa.edu.au) or mail PO Box 1185, Kensington Gardens SA 5068.

The School is bound by the Australian Privacy Principles contained in the Commonwealth Privacy Act.

The School may, from time to time, review and update this Privacy Policy to take account of new laws and technology, changes to the School's operations and practice and to make sure it remains appropriate to the changing school environment.

What kinds of personal information does the School collect and how does the School collect it?

The type of information the School collects and holds includes (but is not limited to) personal information, including health and other sensitive information, about:

- Pupils and parents and/or guardians ('parents') before, during and after the course of a pupil's enrolment at the School;
- Job applicants, staff members, volunteers and contractors; and
- Other people who come into contact with the School.

This may include contact details, pupil enrolment information, health information and employment history of staff.

Personal information you provide:

The School will generally collect personal information held about an individual directly from that individual, by way of forms filled out by parents or pupils, face-to-face meetings and interviews, emails and telephone calls. On occasions people other than parents and pupils provide personal information.

Personal information provided by other people:

In some circumstances the School may be provided with personal information about an individual from a third party, for example a report provided by a medical professional or a reference from another school.

Exception in relation to employee records:

Under the Privacy Act the Australian Privacy Principles do not apply to an employee record. As a result, this Privacy Policy does not apply to the School's treatment of an employee record, where the treatment is directly related to a current or former employment relationship between the School and employee.

How will the School use and disclose the personal information you provide?

The School will use and disclose personal information it collects from you for the primary purpose of collection, and for such other secondary purposes that are related to the primary purpose of collection and reasonably expected by you, or to which you have consented.

Pupils and Parents:

In relation to personal information of pupils and parents, the School's primary purpose of collection is to enable the School to provide schooling for the pupil. This includes satisfying the needs of parents, the needs of the pupil and the needs of the School throughout the whole period the pupil is enrolled at the School.

The purpose for which the School uses and discloses personal information of pupils and parents include:

- To keep parents informed about matters related to their child's schooling, through correspondence, newsletters and magazines;
- Day-to-day administration of the School;
- Looking after the pupil's educational, social and medical wellbeing;
- Seeking donations and marketing for the School; and
- To satisfy the School's legal obligations and allow the School to discharge its duty of care.

In some cases where the School requests personal information about a pupil or parent, if the information requested is not provided, the School may not be able to enrol or continue the enrolment of the pupil or permit the pupil to take part in a particular activity.

Job applicants, staff members and contractors:

In relation to personal information of job applicants, staff members and contractors, the School's primary purpose of collection is to assess and (if successful) to engage the applicant, staff member or contractor, as the case may be.

The purposes for which the School uses and discloses personal information of job applicants, staff members and contractors include:

- administering the individual's employment or contract, as the case may be;
- For insurance purposes;
- Seeking donations and marketing for the School; and
- To satisfy the School's legal obligations, for example, in relation to child protection legislation.

Volunteers:

The School also obtains personal information about volunteers who assist the School in its functions or conduct associated activities, such as alumni associations, to enable the School and the volunteers to work together.

Marketing and Fundraising:

The School treats marketing and seeking donations for the future growth and development of the School as an important part of ensuring that the School continues to provide a quality learning environment in which both pupils and staff thrive. Personal information held by the School may be disclosed to organisations that assist in the School's fundraising, for example, the School's Foundation or alumni organisation (or, on occasions, external fundraising organisations).

Parents, staff contractors and other members of the wider School community may from time to time receive fundraising information. School publications, like newsletters and magazines, which include personal information, may be used for marketing purposes.

If you do not wish to receive direct marketing communications from the School, please let us know.

Website:

The School's website uses the Google AdWords remarketing service to advertise on third party websites (including Google) to previous visitors to our site. It could mean that we advertise to previous visitors who haven't completed

a task on our site, for example using the contact form to make an enquiry. This could be in the form of an advertisement on the Google search results page, or a site in the Google Display Network. Third-party vendors, including Google, use cookies to serve ads based on someone's past visits to the School's website. Any data collected will be used in accordance with our own privacy policy and Google's privacy policy.

You can set preferences for how Google advertises to you using the Google Ad Preferences page (https://www.google.com/settings), and you can opt out of interest-based advertising entirely through cookie settings (https://www.google.com/settings/) or permanently using a browser plugin.

Who might the School disclose personal information to?

The School may disclose personal information, including sensitive information, held about an individual, in the circumstances permitted by this Policy, to:

- Another school;
- Government departments;
- Medical practitioners;
- People providing services to the School, including specialist visiting teachers, counsellors and sports coaches:
- Recipients of school publications, such as newsletters and magazines;
- Parents;
- Anyone you authorise the School to disclose information to; and
- Anyone to whom we are required or authorised to disclose the information to by law.

Sending information overseas:

The School may disclose personal information about an individual to overseas recipients, for instance, when storing personal information with 'cloud' service providers which are situated outside Australia or to facilitate a school exchange. However, the School will not disclose personal information about an individual to an overseas recipient without:

- Obtaining the consent of the individual (in some cases this consent will be implied); or
- Otherwise complying with the Australian Privacy Principles or other application privacy legislation.

How does the School treat sensitive information?

In referring to "sensitive information", the School means information and opinion relating to a person's racial or ethnic origin, political opinions, religion, trade union or other professional or trade association membership, philosophical beliefs, sexual orientation or practices or criminal record, that is also personal information; health information and biometric information about an individual

Sensitive information will be used and disclosed only for the purpose for which it was provided or a directly related secondary purpose reasonably expected by you, secondary purposes that you have consented to, or the use or disclosure of the sensitive information is required or allowed by law.

Management and security of personal information

The School's staff are required to respect the confidentiality of pupils' and parents' personal information and the privacy of individuals.

The School takes active steps to protect the personal information the School holds from misuse, interference and loss, unauthorised access, modification or disclosure by use of various methods including locked storage of paper records and password access rights to computerised records.

Access and correction of personal information

Under the Commonwealth Privacy Act, an individual has the right to obtain access to any personal information which the School holds about them and to advise the School of any perceived inaccuracy and request correction. Pupils will generally be able to access and update their personal information through their parents, but older pupils may seek access and correction themselves.

There are some exceptions to these rights set out in the applicable legislation.

To make a request to access or update any personal information the School holds about you or your child, please contact the Privacy Officer in writing. The School may require you to verify your identity and specify what information you require. The School may charge a fee to cover the cost of verifying your application and locating, retrieving, reviewing and copying any material requested. If the information sought is extensive, the School will advise the likely cost in advance. If we cannot provide you with access to that information, we will provide you with written notice explaining the reasons for refusal.

We will respond to all requests for access or correction within a reasonable time.

Consent and rights of access to the personal information of pupils

The School respects every parent's right to make decisions concerning their child's education.

Generally, the School will refer any requests for consent and notices in relation to the personal information of a pupil to the pupil's parents. The School will treat consent given by parents as consent given on behalf of the pupil, and notice to parents will act as notice given to the pupil.

As mentioned above, parents may seek access to personal information held by the School about them or their child by contacting the Privacy Officer. However, there will be occasions when access is denied. Such occasions would include where release of the information will have an unreasonable impact on the privacy of others, or where giving access would be unlawful, such as a breach of confidence.

The School may, at its discretion, on the request of a pupil grant that pupil access to information held by the School about them, or allow a pupil to give or withhold consent to the use of their personal information, independently of their parents. This would normally be done only when the maturity of the pupil and/or the pupil's personal circumstances so warranted.

Enquiries and complaints

If you would like further information about the way the School manages the personal information it holds, or wish to complain that you believe that the School has breached the Australian Privacy Principles please contact the Director of Business. The School will investigate any complaint and will notify you of the making of a decision in relation to your complaint as soon as is practicable after it has been made.

Contact details for further information, requests for access or correction or complaints:

Director of Business St Peter's Collegiate Girls' School Stonyfell Rd, Stonyfell SA 5066

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