**General Data Protection Regulation Policy**

**Statement**

GDPR stands for General Data Protection Regulation and replaces the previous Data Protection

Directives that were in place. It was approved by the EU Parliament in 2016 and comes into effect on 25th May 2018.

GDPR states that personal data should be ‘processed fairly & lawfully’ and ‘collected for specified, explicit and legitimate purposes’ and that individual’s data is not processed without their knowledge and are only processed with their ‘explicit’ consent. GDPR covers personal data relating to individuals. Leanne Edwards School of Theatre Arts (LESTA) is committed to protecting the rights and freedoms of individuals with respect to the processing of children's, parents, visitors and staff personal data.

The Data Protection Act gives individuals the right to know what information is held about them. It provides a framework to ensure that personal information is handled properly.

LESTA is registered with the ICO (Information Commissioners Office) under registration reference: awaiting ref Certificate will be available on request.

**GDPR includes 7 rights for individuals**

1) The right to be informed

LESTA is a registered Performing Arts provider with the ISTD and as so, is required to collect and manage certain data. We need to know parent’s names, addresses, telephone numbers, email addresses. We need to know children’s’ full names, addresses, date of birth and Education school, along with any SEN requirements. We are requested to provide this data to Surrey County Council & other performing council areas; this information is sent to the Local Authority via a secure electronic file transfer system. Names and date of births are also shared with Dance Festival Organisers if they are in the LESTA Performers Team.

LESTA also uses the following:

DanceBiz as their administration software database, Google Forms for Enrolment forms and consent, Mail chimp to send newsletters and Dropbox or WeTransfer to send music files. All these companies have their own policies and procedures in place in relation to GDPR.

We are required to collect certain details of visitors to our school. We need to know visitor’s names, telephone numbers, and where appropriate company name. This is in respect of our Health and Safety and Safeguarding Policies.

As an employer of self-employed teachers LESTA is required to hold data on its Teachers; names, addresses, email addresses, telephone numbers, date of birth, National Insurance numbers, photographic ID such as passport and driver’s license, bank details. This information is also required for Disclosure and Barring Service checks (DBS) and proof of eligibility to work in the UK. This information is sent via a secure file transfer system to Criminal Records Services Ltd for the processing of DBS checks. DBS Numbers and date of issue are also held on a central staffing record.

LESTA uses Cookies on its website to collect data for Google Analytics, this data is anonymous.

2) The right of access

At any point an individual can make a request relating to their data and LESTA will need to provide a response (within 1 month). LESTA can refuse a request, if we have a lawful obligation to retain data but we will inform the individual of the reasons for the rejection. The individual will have the right to complain to the ICO if they are not happy with the decision.

3) The right to erasure

You have the right to request the deletion of your data where there is no compelling reason for its continued use. However, LESTA has a legal duty to keep children’s and parent’s details for a reasonable time\*, LESTA retain these records for 3 years after leaving pre-school, children's accident and injury records for 19 years (or until the child reaches 21 years), and 22 years (or until the child reaches 24 years) for Child Protection records. Staff records must be kept for 6 years after the member leaves employment, before they can be erased. This data is archived securely onsite and shredded after the legal retention period.

4) The right to restrict processing

Parents, visitors and staff can object to LESTA processing their data. This means that records can be stored but must not be used in any way, for example reports or for communications.

5) The right to data portability

LESTA requires data to be transferred from one IT system to another; such as from LESTA to the Local Authority, for performance BOPA licences, and dance Associations for examinations and Festival Organisers for dance competitions. These recipients use secure file transfer systems and have their own policies and procedures in place in relation to GDPR.

6) The right to object

Parents, visitors and staff can object to their data being used for certain activities like marketing or research.

7) The right not to be subject to automated decision-making including profiling.

Automated decisions and profiling are used for marketing based organisations. LESTA does not use personal data for such purposes.

**Storage and use of personal information**

All paper copies of children's and staff records are kept in a locked filing boc. Members of staff can have access to these files but information taken from the files about individual children is confidential and apart from archiving, these records remain on site at all times. These records are shredded after the retention period.

Information about individual children is used in certain documents, such as, a weekly register, medication forms, referrals to external agencies and disclosure forms. These documents include data such as children's names, date of birth and sometimes address. These records are shredded after the relevant retention period.

LESTA collects a large amount of personal data every year including; names and addresses of those on the waiting list. These records are shredded if the child does not attend or added to the child’s file and stored appropriately.

Information regarding families’ involvement with other agencies is stored both electronically on a Password protected computer and in paper format, this information is kept in a locked filing box. These records are shredded after the relevant retention period.

LESTA stores personal data held visually in photographs or video clips or as sound recordings, unless written consent has been obtained via the LESTA Enrolment form. No names are stored with images in photo albums, displays, on the website or on LESTA social media sites.

Access to all Office computers is password protected. When a member of staff leaves the company these passwords are changed in line with this policy and our Safeguarding policy. Any portable data storage used to store personal data, e.g. USB memory stick, are password protected and/or stored in a locked filing cabinet.

GDPR means that LESTA must;  
\* Manage and process personal data properly  
\* Protect the individual’s rights to privacy  
\* Provide an individual with access to all personal information held on them

\* please see attached Preschool Learning Alliance Retention periods for records.

**Retention periods for records**

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| **Children’s records** | **Retention period** | **Status** | **Authority** |
| Children’s records - including registers, medication record books and accident record books pertaining to the children | A reasonable period of time after children have left the provision (e.g. until after the next Ofsted inspection) | Requirement | Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage (given legal force by Childcare Act 2006) |
| Until the child reaches the age of 21 - or until the child reaches the age of 24 for child protection records | Recommendation | Limitation Act 1980  Normal limitation rules (which mean that an individual can claim for negligently caused personal injury up to 3 years after, or deliberately caused personal injury up to 6 years after the event) are postponed until a child reaches 18 years of age |
| Records of any reportable death, injury, disease or dangerous occurrence | 3 years after the date the record was made | Requirement | The Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations 1995 (RIDDOR) (as amended) |
| **Personnel records** | **Retention period** | **Status** | **Authority** |
| Personnel files and training records (including disciplinary records and working time records) | 6 years after employment ceases | Recommendation | Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development |
| DBS check | 6 months | Recommendation | DBS Code of Practice  The following basic information should be retained after the certificate is destroyed: the date of issue; the name of the subject; the type of disclosure; the position for which the disclosure was requested; the unique reference number; and the details of the recruitment decision taken |
| *Pay* | | | |
| Wage/salary records (including overtime, bonuses and expenses) | 6 years | Requirement | Taxes Management Act 1970 |
| Statutory Maternity Pay (SMP) records | 3 years after the end of the tax year to which they relate | Requirement | The Statutory Maternity Pay (General) Regulations 1986 |
| Statutory Sick Pay (SSP) records | 3 years after the end of the tax year to which they relate | Requirement | The Statutory Sick Pay (General) Regulations 1982 |
| Income tax and National Insurance returns/records | At least 3 years after the end of the tax year to which they relate | Requirement | The Income Tax (Employments) Regulations 1993 (as amended) |
| Redundancy details, calculations of payments, refunds, notification to the Secretary of State | 6 years after employment ends | Recommendation | Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development |
| *Health and safety* | | | |
| Staff accident records (for organisations with 10 or more employees) | 3 years after the date the record was made (there are separate rules for the recording of accidents involving hazardous substances) | Requirement | Social Security (Claims and Payments) Regulations 1979 |
| Records of any reportable death, injury, disease or dangerous occurrence | 3 years after the date the record was made | Requirement | The Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations 1995 (RIDDOR) (as amended) |
| Accident/medical records as specified by the Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations (COSHH) | 40 years from the date of the last entry | Requirement | The Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations 2002 (COSHH) |
| Assessments under Health and Safety Regulations and records of consultations with safety representatives | Permanently | Recommendation | Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development |
| **Financial records** | **Retention period** | **Status** | **Authority** |
| Accounting records | 3 years from the end of the financial year for private companies, 6 years for PLC | Requirement | Companies Act 2006 |
| 6 years for charities | Requirement | Charities Act 2011 |
| **Administration records** | **Retention period** | **Status** | **Authority** |
| Employers’ liability insurance records | For as long as possible | Recommendation | Health and Safety Executive |
| Minutes/minute books | 10 years from the date of the meeting for companies | Requirement | Companies Act 2006 |
| 6 years from the date of the meeting for Charitable Incorporated Organisations | Requirement | The Charitable Incorporated Organisations (General) Regulations 2012 |
| Permanently | Recommendation | Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development |