

## Research ethics

We are required to inform people about the research and give them the option to opt out of participating.

*Opt-out consent* to participation in research is permitted and is what we use because of the scale of the research, though individual pupils can choose to complete the surveys or not.

## Data protection compliance

Processing personal data using consent compliant with the GDPR requires such consent to be opt in, informed and unambiguous.

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## HeadStart data processing

We have to let you know about the research and your right to opt out of the research at any time.

We let you know that we use 'task in the public interest' to process your data and inform you of the data rights you have.

We use a lot of people's data and effectively anonymise it as soon as we can, so individuals are not identifiable. Although we don't rely upon your consent to process your data, in effect you can ask us to stop processing your data at any time by withdrawing your consent to participate in the research, though we hope you won't.