

John Coren Via email

7th May 2021

Dear Mr Coren

## Re: Freedom of Information Request - The Children's Code and Ark Schools

I write further to your request of 5<sup>th</sup> May 2021 in which you requested:

- 1) Is your organisation aware of The Children's Code?
- 2) Has anyone read the requirements?
- 3) Have you adapted, or do you plan to adapt, any of your approaches to the use of Technology within education as a result?
- 4) If 'yes' to Q3, please provide a summary of changes
- 5) How many Data Protection Impact Assessments have been completed in the last 3 years?
- 6) How many DPIAs involved stakeholder engagement?

Please find below the information that we can provide:

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Yes.

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3) Have you adapted, or do you plan to adapt, any of your approaches to the use of Technology within education as a result?

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4) If 'yes' to Q3, please provide a summary of changes

We have reviewed our data protection impact assessment process. This led to the requirements of the Children's Code being incorporated to the criteria applied for the assessment of online platforms and software to be used by pupils.

5) How many Data Protection Impact Assessments have been completed in the last 3 years?

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Over thirty data protection impact assessments have been completed across the network.

6) How many DPIAs involved stakeholder engagement?

All involved either internal or external stakeholder engagement.

In the event that you are not satisfied with this response, please write to the Director of Governance at Ark Schools at the address above or by email at <a href="mailto:elizabeth.dawson@arkonline.org">elizabeth.dawson@arkonline.org</a>, who will respond within ten working days. Further to this process, you can also contact the Information Commissioner's Office, who will investigate the case at their discretion, at the address below:

FoI Compliance Team (complaints) Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

Yours sincerely

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