

*Mission Statement* "A Caring Christian Family Where We Grow Together"

## PROTECTION OF BIOMETRIC INFORMATION OF CHILDREN IN SCHOOLS & COLLEGES POLICY

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## 1. Legislation & Biometric Data

- **1.1.** Biometric data means personal information about an individual's physical or behavioural characteristics that can be used to identify that person; this can include their fingerprints, facial shape, retina and iris patterns, and hand measurements.
- 1.2. The Information Commissioner considers all biometric information to be personal data as defined by the Data Protection Act 1998; this means that it must be obtained, used and stored in accordance with that
- 1.3. The Protection of Freedoms Act includes provisions which relate to the use of biometric data in schools and colleges when used as part of an automated biometric recognition system. These provisions are in addition to the requirements of the Data Protection Act 1998.

## 2. Implementation

**2.1.** RCSAT Schools do not use pupils' biometric data and the Board of Trustees have no plans to introduce it.

## 3. Review

- **3.1.** The Board of Trustees reviews this policy every year.
- **3.2.** The governors may, however, review the policy earlier than this, if the government introduces new regulations, or if the Board of Trustees receives recommendations on how the policy might be improved, or if it is introduced in any of the RCSAT schools.