

Date: June 2025

Dear Parent / Carer,

RE: Temporary Installation of CCTV in Communal Toilet Areas

I am writing to inform you of a temporary measure we are putting in place to help address a concerning increase in vandalism within our school toilet facilities. Pupils will be informed via assemblies before any changes are implemented.

Due to an increase in pupil vandalism in our toilets, CCTV cameras are to be temporarily placed in these areas. This will be done in line with UK GDPR and is compliant with the UK GDPR Article 6(1)(f) condition — i.e., processing is necessary for the purposes of our legitimate interests; in this case, the prevention of vandalism by pupils. Once this issue is under control, the cameras will be removed or disabled.

Please be assured that cameras will **not** be placed inside toilet cubicles. They will be located **only in the communal areas** such as sink and corridor spaces within the toilets. The cameras will neither be intrusive nor capture any moments of intimacy.

Footage will only be reviewed if there is an incident of vandalism and for the sole purpose of identifying those responsible. In rare cases, we may be legally obliged to share footage with law enforcement or for safeguarding purposes, in accordance with our school's privacy notice, which you can find at:

www.heronhallacademy.org.uk/file/5ce65655ed6d8

We appreciate your support in helping us maintain a safe, respectful, and clean environment for all pupils. Please note that where school property is defaced or damaged by a pupil, the cost of repair will ultimately be met by their parent, carer, or guardian.

If you have any questions or concerns about this temporary measure, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Thank you for your understanding.

Yours sincerely,



Arthur Barzey
Headteacher