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**Responsibility: Communications Officer,
Digital Strategy Lead, Compliance Officer**



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Cookie	Name	Purpose
Adobe ColdFusion	JSESSIONID CFTOKEN __cf_bm __cfduid datr __cfduid CFID __cfuid CFGLOALS	These cookies are used by the web server and web application platform on which the Schools' website is built.
Facebook	fr sb datr	These cookies are used by Facebook to provide the services associated with the Schools' website. For example, the Facebook news feed.
Google	A number of different cookies are used.	Information is collected in an anonymous form and is used to compile reports about the users' visits to the site (including where users have come from, number of users and the pages on the website that have visited). This information is used to improve our website.

		Other cookies are used to provide other Google services such as an integrated Google Calendar.
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