

## Cookie Usage on the Oakwood Intranet

This Website uses Cookies in order to provide a useful and reliable experience when visiting and helps us improve the site.

When a user logs in and visits certain pages, standard data is collected. This is not used to personally identify anyone.

By logging into the Oakwood Intranet, you are agreeing to the use of Cookies on this site.

A cookie is a small text file, placed on your device/ browser to provide a better experience. These are used on an individual basis. To find out more about Cookies, you can visit the following Website: [www.aboutcookies.org.uk](http://www.aboutcookies.org.uk)

### The types of Cookies we use on this site

#### First party Cookies

These are necessary Cookies that are directly set by this website. These are essential to keep the Intranet running. These keep track of the session ID, recent data submission states and the Wellbeing choice. Details can be seen below:

Name	Purpose	Expires
PHPSESSID	Default identifier that PHP uses for Cookies generated during a session.	End of Session
Banner_Seen	To hide Notification banner once user has clicked "Okay", on subsequent log ins.	3 weeks
Data_collected	To check if a recent data collection was submitted (Only applies if Data collection was submitted)	5 days
Wellbeing_choice	To hold Students wellbeing choice and show relevant information. Also stops buttons being abused and data becoming redundant.	At midnight
TestRecorded	Set when a COVID test has been submitted, to stop more being added on same day. This is unique to each user.	At midnight
StudentNoticesRead	To track if all student notices have been viewed and display 'New' message	At midnight
StudentNoticesViewed	To track how many student notices have been read. Used for above function.	At midnight
StaffNoticesRead	To track if all staff notices have been viewed and display 'New' message	At midnight
StaffNoticesViewed	To track how many staff notices have been read. Used for above function.	At midnight

#### Google Analytics

Like many websites, we use Google Analytics to collect information about visitor behaviour, such as the number of visits on each page. Google Analytics stores information about what pages you visit, how long you are on the site, what documents you download and what you click on. This analytics data is not tied to personally identifiable information (e.g. your name or address) so this information cannot be used to identify who you are.

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Below is a list of the Google Analytics Cookies we may use on this site and what they are used for:

Name	Purpose	Expires
_utm.gif	Logs details about visitor's browser and computer	End of session
_utma	Used to distinguish users and sessions	2 years
_utmb	Used to determine new sessions/visits	30 mins
_utmc	Used to determine the duration of a visit	End of session
_utmv	Use to determine visitor behaviour during a session	End of session
_utmz	Stores the traffic source that explains how the user reached the site	6 months
_utmt	Used to throttle request rate	10 minutes
_utmt_masterTracker	Updates the total number of page visits in anonymous form	End of session
_ga	Used to distinguish users	2 years
_gid	Used to distinguish users	24 hours

More detailed information about the Google Analytics Cookies we use by clicking [here](#).

You can find out more about Google's position on data privacy as regards to its analytics service, including information about the **Google Analytics opt-out browser add-on** in the Privacy Controls section [here](#).

### Third party Cookies

To further enhance and protect the website, we use third party services and plugins (For example Microsoft 365 & SimpleSAML).

For these to work correctly, they may set Cookies through this Website. For information & privacy policies and how to opt-out of them collecting any data, you should refer to their respective Websites.