



11th December 2023

St Monica's Catholic Primary School

Consultation on Admission Arrangements for 2025-2026

Every year schools are required to review their admission arrangements so as to ensure that they remain appropriate and comply with all statutory and other relevant requirements. If any material changes are considered necessary, schools must consult on them.

St Monica's is duly consulting on its proposed Admissions Policy for 2025-2026. The proposed Policy differs from the Policies currently in force (ie for 2023/2024 and 2024/2025) in the following respects:

- **on page 1, clarification that the School's Governing Body is the admission authority. Where previous versions of the School's Admission Policy referred to 'the Governing Body', such references are now replaced by 'the admission authority';**
- **on page 1, reversal of the ordering of oversubscription categories 7 and 8 so that catechumens (ie children preparing for reception into the Catholic Church) and members of Eastern Christian Churches are given priority over all other non-Catholic children; and**
- **on page 5, clarification that applications for children from non-Catholic faith communities should be accompanied by a letter from a minister/religious leader confirming membership of that community so the application can be ranked in the appropriate oversubscription category.**

We have been asked to make these changes by the Diocese of Westminster Education Service. The second has been particularly enjoined on us so that our admissions arrangements are in conformity with the Diocese's Guidance on Admissions to Catholic Schools. The complete proposed Policy for 2025/2026 can be viewed on the school's website at www.st-monicas.enfield.sch.uk.

The consultation period will take place from 11th December 2023 and will close at midnight on 21st January 2024. Please send any comments to me by e.mail to office@st-monicas.enfield.sch.uk or in writing to St Monica's Catholic Primary School, Cannon Road, London N14 7HE.

The Governing Body will take account of responses to this consultation before finally determining its arrangements.

Yours faithfully

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Chair of Governors