

Dear Stakeholder

Re: Consultation on the proposed changes to the Admissions Policy

I am writing to notify you of the consultation on the schools 2026-2027 admissions policy. The consultation period will run from 4th December 2024 until 29th January 2025; during this time parents and other key stakeholders are invited to express their views and any concerns about the admission arrangements at St Joseph's Catholic High School.

In accordance with the DfE's 2021 statutory 'School Admissions Code' guidance, as a school we must consult on our admissions arrangements when changes are proposed.

Main Proposed Changes:

- Addition of criteria: Children of staff at the school may be conferred where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time the application is made or the member of staff is recruited to fill vacant post where there is a demonstrable skill shortage.
- Addition of criteria: Children who attend a 'faith based Primary school'

A copy of the proposed policy is attached and can also be found on the school's website.

All responses to the consultation should be made in writing and submitted to hello@sjchs.uk by 5pm on 29th January 2025.

At the end of the consultation period, all responses will be considered and a final decision made on whether to approve the changes.

We look forward to receiving your views on our proposal.

Yours faithfully

Mr I Nevitt
Headteacher