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The SWAN Trust Admissions Policy Consultation for 2022-23

The SWAN Trust, as the admission authority for all schools within the Multi Academy Trust (MAT), are conducting a full consultation on admission arrangements, including proposed changes, for all of the schools within the Trust for September 2022.

The Schools are:

- Barnsbury Primary School and Nursery, Woking, Surrey
- Beaufort Primary School, Woking, Surrey
- The Hermitage School, Woking, Surrey
- The Horsell Village School, Woking, Surrey
- Kingfield Primary School, Woking, Surrey
- The Oaktree School, Woking, Surrey

Full details of the consultation and the changes being proposed are attached. Comments are invited on any aspect of the proposed Admissions Policy for the six schools.

In particular, the proposed changes from the 2022/3 policies are as follows:

- For all schools to remove the "Nearest School" criterion.
- For all schools to have 'children of staff' as number 4 criterion.

Consultation responses should be made in writing no later than 12 noon on Friday 15th January 2021. Anyone wishing to submit their views can email The SWAN Trust at admin@swantrust.co.uk or in writing to Elaine Cooper, CEO, The SWAN Trust, c/o Beaufort Primary School, Kirkland Avenue, Woking, Surrey, GU21 3RG.

After the closing date, responses will then be considered by The SWAN Trust Board of Trustees and the admissions arrangements determined by no later than 21st January 2021. Once the board has considered all the responses the determined admission arrangements will be placed on The SWAN Trust's website at www.swantrust.co.uk.

For entry into Reception during the 2022/23 academic year the main changes are:-

Removing Criteria: Nearest school

We are consulting to replace the 'nearest school' criterion with 'any other children' using 'home address'. In July 2020 Surrey recommended a change to our admissions policies following a determination of the Schools Adjudicator in October 2019 which identified some concerns with the use of 'nearest school' and the objectivity and clarity regarding this (ADA3589 - www.gov.uk/government/publications/stamford-green-primary-school). As a result of this determination, Surrey has issued a consultation to remove priority according to 'nearest school' from the majority of its community and voluntary controlled schools for 2022 admission and it is felt there will be no or minimal impact. We recommend removing 'nearest school' in this instance to stay in line with Surrey, therefore not having two contradicting systems in the local area.

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Standardisation of criteria 'children of staff'

We propose moving the children of staff to criterion 4 as this would then be in line for the whole of The SWAN Trust, staff would only be able to apply for this criterion for the school in which they work.

Our proposed admissions arrangements for 2022/23 are set out below:

Summary of the changes in Oversubscription criteria

	Barnsbury	Beaufort	Hermitage	Horsell	Kingfield	Oaktree
1	LAC/PLAC	LAC/PLAC	LAC/PLAC	LAC/PLAC	LAC/PLAC	LAC/PLAC
2	Exceptional social/medical needs	Exceptional social/medical needs	Exceptional social/medical needs	Exceptional social/medical needs	Exceptional social/medical needs	Exceptional social/medical needs
3	Siblings	Siblings	Siblings (proposed)	Current siblings at the school	Siblings	Siblings including siblings at The Hermitage School
4	Children of staff at the school (proposed)	Children of staff at the school	Children of staff at the school (proposed)	Children of staff at the school (proposed)	Children of staff at the school (proposed)	Children of staff at the school (proposed)
5	Any other children (proposed)	Any other children (proposed)	Children attending The Oaktree School (proposed)	Previous siblings still at the same address	Any other children (proposed)	Any other children (proposed)
6			Any other children (proposed)	Any other children (proposed)		

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