



October 2024

St Michael's CE Primary School, Sydenham, London, SE26 4HH
Consultation for Amendment to Admission Arrangements for the 2026/2027 School Year

As Chair of Governors, I write to advise you that the Governing Body wish to consult on amending our admission arrangements for 2026/2027. The proposed amendment applies to our over subscription criteria as shown below.

The consultation proposes the over subscription criteria is amended to include criteria iv; children of full-time teaching staff.

Therefore, the oversubscription criteria would be:

- i) looked after children or previously looked after children (see note 1);
- ii) *children with an exceptional and professionally supported medical or social need for a place at this school (see note 2);*
- iii) siblings of children attending St Michael's School at the time of admission (i.e. September 2025). Children in Year 6 who will have transferred to secondary school by the time the younger child is admitted do not confer sibling priority (see note 3);
- iv) **children of full-time teaching staff (see note 4)**
- v) children living nearest to the school

Note 4 states: **Children** – includes the natural, step, foster or adopted child living in the same family unit and at the same home address as the staff member making the application.

Work as a teaching assistant or a qualified teacher on a permanent basis; and
Work at the school for a minimum of 0.6fte.

The viewpoint of the school is for retention of staff and to fill any vacant post as required. This request is made in order that parents seeking admission to the school can readily determine what the oversubscription criteria are and how they may be met, and thereby enable the school to deal lawfully, fairly and transparently with admissions matter.

To consult on admission arrangements for 2026-27.

Consultation must take place for at least six weeks to start no earlier than 1 October 2024 and to finish no later than 31 January 2025. The Governing Board must then determine admission arrangements by 28 February 2025.

Beryl Fielder
Chair of Governors
St Michael's CE Primary School