Date: 2nd November 2026

Dear Parents/Carers

St Patrick's Primary Academy

Public Consultation on Admission Arrangements for Academic Year 2028/2029

In accordance with the School Admissions Code 2021, St Patrick's Primary Academy is required to consult on its admission arrangements at least every 7 years or where changes to the arrangements are proposed.

Our proposed Admissions Policy for the academic year 2028/2029 is available to view on our website at www.st-patricks-ce.solihull.sch.uk and a copy is available from the school office.

Please note that proposed changes to the Admission Arrangements are highlighted in yellow and are as follows.

- We are proposing to remove church attendance priority from our admissions oversubscription criteria in line with the latest guidance from the Birmingham Diocesan Board of Education.
- We are proposing to remove the existing catchment and parish-based priorities from the oversubscription criteria. Under the revised arrangements, after priority has been given to looked-after and previously looked-after children, and to children with a sibling attending the school at the time of admission, all remaining places would be allocated to children who live closest to the school.

Comments are welcome on any aspect of our admission arrangements, and can be sent via email to Dr Sarah Winnett, Chair of Governing Board at g91swinnett@st-patricks-ce.solihull.sch.uk or directly to the School in a sealed envelope marked Consultation on Admission Arrangements, for the attention of Dr Sarah Winnett.

This consultation process will commence on 4/11/26 and conclude on 23/12/26. Once the consultation has closed, comments and feedback will be considered by the Governors.

Yours sincerely

Dr Sarah Winnett

Chair of the Governing Board

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