



**Sandringham School**

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Dear Parent/Carer

**Consultation on Admissions Criteria September 2020 – August 2021  
24<sup>th</sup> October – 12<sup>th</sup> December 2018**

We are consulting on a change to our admission arrangements from September 2020.

Following advice issued by the DfE on 6 August 2018, all schools are strongly advised to consult on proposals to give second highest priority to “children previously looked after by the state abroad”. The DfE guidance outlines the importance of consistent decision making when considering these applications and the county council (using the Virtual School) is happy to make decisions on the validity of applications for all schools if that would be helpful.

The Local Governing Board of Sandringham School have considered this proposal at length and in consultation with HCC have formulated a new admissions criteria for operation from September 2020. A copy of the proposed criteria is attached with this letter for your consideration during the consultation period.

The key changes to our admissions criteria are:-

- an amended definition of Rule 2 specifically naming “children previously looked after by the state abroad
- revise the current wording in the definition of permanent address to remove the ambiguity to amend ‘and/or’ to ‘and’ to clarify the position
- include reference to the guidance for verification of permanent home address for oversubscription rule 5

We welcome your comments prior to the close of consultation so that our decision fully embraces the wishes of the school community. Should you wish to respond to this consultation, please do so in writing to Mrs. Lesley Dunkley, Clerk to the Local Governing Board by **9.00 am on Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> December 2018**. We will not be able to acknowledge or respond individually to your comments, but they will be taken into account.



At the end of the period of consultation, the Governors Admissions Panel will meet to consider any responses and prepare a report and recommendation to the Full Local Governing Board who will then determine any such changes by 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019.

Yours sincerely,



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**Chair of Governors**



**Alan Gray**  
**Headteacher**



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