

3<sup>rd</sup> December 2019

Dear Sir/Madam

**JCoSS: Consultation on Admissions Arrangements 2021-22**

The Governing body of JCoSS invites you to view the proposed admissions arrangements for the academic year 2021-22, in accordance with the requirements of the Department for Education's School Admissions Code.

The consultation will run for 6 weeks, from **Tuesday 3 December 2019 until Tuesday 14 January 2020**.

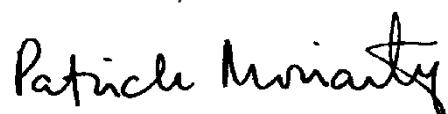
The proposed changes, with associated rationale, are as follows:

1. To amend the wording under section (c) from "a maximum of 18 places" to "a maximum of 10% of the places"
  - *The school is considering a future expansion of places to 210 per year. This is not confirmed either in principle or for a particular date but, in anticipation, this change signals our intention to maintain the existing proportion of proximity places (currently 18 out of 180) if any permanent expansion goes ahead, in recognition of desire to serve Jewish families in the local community.*
2. To amend the wording under section (c) regarding the measuring of distance from the school
  - *Distance is actually measured by the Local Authority from the school's main entrance, not from the main gate (and it is in any case not clear which gate is the main one). This change clarifies the position.*
3. To amend the wording under section (d) to clarify the definitions regarding staff whose children are eligible for priority places
  - *This change clarifies and simplifies the wording regarding the conditions required for staff to qualify for priority places.*
4. To amend the wording in the notes (points ii and iii) regarding definitions of "parent" and "sibling"
  - *These changes clarify, simplify and make more generous the definitions of parents and siblings, in recognition of the variety of family structures of applicants, and the difficulty of providing documentary evidence for the precise living arrangements of children.*

We welcome your responses to this proposal which should be submitted to Mrs Herman, Admissions Officer, by email to [admissions@jcross.barnet.sch.uk](mailto:admissions@jcross.barnet.sch.uk). Alternatively you can forward your comments by post to JCoSS, Castlewood Road, New Barnet, EN4 9GE. The proposed Admissions Arrangements are available to view on the JCoSS website ([www.jcross.org](http://www.jcross.org)).

Please ensure that any comments are submitted by **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2020** so that the Governing body can consider these and determine the final admission arrangements by 28<sup>th</sup> February 2020.

Yours sincerely



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