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Consultation on Proposal to Change Admission Arrangements 2026-2027

Dear Sir/Madam,

Please find attached the proposed Admissions Policy for 2026-27 for Saint Jérôme Church of England Bilingual School, 120-138 Station Road, Harrow, HA1 2DJ.

The Governing Body of Saint Jérôme School proposes the following changes :

Oversubscription Criteria

Current Criterion 1 - Unchanged

Current Criterion 2 - Delete (relates to the children of the two founders)

Revised Criterion 3 - Unchanged – moves to criterion 2

Revised Criterion 4 - Unchanged – moved to criterion 3

The oversubscription criteria changes relate to the (new) criteria 4 & 5

New Criterion 4. : 50% of the remaining applicants living in postcodes HA1, HA2, HA3, HA5 or HA7 will be offered a place by random allocation.

New Criterion 5. : The remaining places will be designated as Open places and allocated by distance.

Footnote:

1. School Admissions Code date updated to September 2021

5. Random allocation description added

Foundation Places:

Final sentence - *wording added*: 'Random allocation criterion 4 and then'

Random Allocation - *New wording added*

'After allocation of places in criterion 1-3, 50% of the remaining places will be allocated to applicants living in postcodes HA1, HA2, HA3, HA5 or HA7 by random allocation.

In the event of remaining places being an odd number, one more place will be allocated under the 50% random allocation rather than nearest distance., ie. if remaining places equalled 27, 14 would be considered for Random Allocation criterion 4 and 13 for Open Place criterion 5.

The random allocation process is determined independently of the school by the local authority, Harrow Council's admissions software. A fresh round of random allocation is used each time a child is to be offered a place from a waiting list.'

Tie-breaker

First sentence - *wording removed* '4' so now reads 'within the oversubscription criteria 3 and 5'



Out of Year Process

Point 2. *Wording added to explain where to obtain Deferral Entry Request Application Form: 'through Harrow Council'*

Waiting List

Additional wording / a paragraph added: 'Waiting lists will be closed on the last day of term each year and will not roll over. If you wish your child to remain on the waiting list into the new academic year you will need to submit a new in year application. It is your responsibility to reapply.'

Withdrawal of Places

Additional wording added after the first sentence: 'Where an offer is withdrawn on the basis of misleading information provided by the parent, the application must be considered afresh, and a right of appeal offered if an offer is refused.'

The consultation period is from **Monday 9th December 2024 to Tuesday 21st January 2025**.

Please address any comments to the Admissions Committee at the School address or by email to office@stjeromebilingual.org

Yours sincerely,

The Governing Board (Admissions Committee)
Saint Jérôme Church of England Bilingual School