

11th November 2019

Admissions policy consultation letter

RE: Consultation on admission arrangements for Hollinhey Primary School, an Aspire Educational Trust Academy.

Dear Parent/carer/interested party,

I am writing to notify you of the upcoming consultation on the school's admissions policy. The consultation period will run from 18th November 2019 until 5th January 2020; during this time, parents/carers and other interested parties are invited to express their views and any concerns about the proposed changes to the admission arrangements at Hollinhey Primary School for September 2021 onwards.

In accordance with the DfE's 2014 statutory 'School Admissions Code' guidance, as a school we must consult on our admission arrangements when changes are proposed, and at least once every seven years.

This consultation is being undertaken because Hollinhey Primary School joined The Aspire Educational Trust on 1st April 2019 and the following amendments to our admission arrangements have been proposed:

- From September 2021, Hollinhey Primary School will follow the admission arrangements of The Aspire Educational Trust as The Aspire Educational Trust is now the admissions authority for our school.
- The main difference between the Aspire Educational Trust's admission arrangements and Hollinhey's current arrangements is that catchment will no longer be used as an admissions criteria thereby making pupils living nearest to our school community a higher priority for school admissions.

A full version of the proposed Aspire Educational Trust's admission arrangements for September 2021 is available to view on the school website, the Trust website (www.aspireeducationaltrust.co.uk – under policies) or in hard copy from the school office.

In accordance with statutory DfE guidance, the consultation will run for at least six weeks and, as an interested party at Hollinhey Primary School we are keen to hear your views on the proposed change; therefore, we invite you to participate in the consultation if you have any concerns regarding the matter.

All responses to the consultation should be made in writing and submitted to arrive before 23.59pm on 6th January 2020 to:

Mrs K Stanier, MAT Business Operations Manager,

The Aspire Educational Trust, Belgrave Road, Macclesfield, SK11 7TF

or by email to matbom@aet.cheshire.sch.uk.

Please note that written responses should outline your personal details, including your name, address and relationship to the school.

At the end of the consultation period, the Board of Trustees will meet to consider responses. The outcome of the consultation will be published on the school and trust websites as soon as possible following a decision being reached by the board. Hard copies of the final report will be made available on request to all respondents of the consultation.

If you wish to further discuss this matter, or anything mentioned in this letter, please contact Mrs Stanier on 01625 383075 or matbom@aet.cheshire.sch.uk.

Yours sincerely,

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