Important Public Notice

Statutory School Admissions Arrangement Consultation Proposals to Alter The Admission Arrangements Applying For Bathwick St Mary Church School

The Consultation:

In accordance with the requirements of the 2021 School Admissions Code, the Bath and Wells Multi Academy Trust (The Trust) is proposing to alter the School Admission Arrangements applying for **Bathwick St Mary Church School**. This proposal is subject to a public school admission arrangements consultation according to the timeframe and arrangements set out below and the change will apply from 1st September 2025.

This proposal is to amend the oversubscription criteria by:

- removing the current Criterion related to children who are living within Bathwick parishes and are eligible to receive a Pupil Premium.
- removing the current Criterion related to faith. This is in response to The Bath and Wells Diocesan Board of Education's decision to remove all references to faith from the oversubscription criteria for church schools. The Trust proposes to comply with this requirement. This will also mean the removal of the supplementary Information Form (SIF).

You may view the proposed School Admission Arrangements and changes on the school website, or here:

https://www.bwmat.org/Admissions/

The consultation will open on <u>8th December 2023</u> and will close on <u>26th January</u> <u>2024.</u>

During this period, you are invited to submit any comments concerning the proposals by letter or email:

Please e-mail: AdmissionsBANES@bwmat.org

Please write to: Admission Arrangement Consultation (B&NES)

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What happens next?

Following closure of the consultation, the Admission Authority (The Board of the Bath and Wells Multi Academy Trust) will meet to consider any comments returned during the consultation period. Within eight calendar weeks of the consultation ending, a response will be published on the school website and consultees will be informed of this.

Once agreed in final form the Admission Authority will publish the 2025/26 Admission Arrangements on the school website by 15th March 2024.