



Mornington Primary School

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Dear Parent/Carers

Formal consultation on Admission Arrangements for Mornington Primary School 2025/26

In accordance with the Admissions Code of Practice 2021, the Governors of Mornington Primary School wish to consult with parents and the local community on our proposed Admission Arrangements for 2025/26, a copy of which can be found on our website at www.morningtonprimary.notts.sch.uk or a paper copy can be obtained from the school.

The proposed arrangements have not changed from those previously agreed, other than a wish to expand the catchment area of Mornington Primary School in line with the Admissions Code 2021. The Code states in section 1.14 that 'Catchment areas must be designed so that they are reasonable and clearly defined'. The current geographical catchment of the school is made of two separate geographical areas with an area of land lying in the middle of both. This does not make our current catchment area clearly defined. The proposed extension would take the Woodhouse Park estate into the school's catchment area and uses the M1 as a natural border to the catchment area. A map of the existing and proposed catchment area can be seen on our school's website – www.morningtonprimary.notts.sch.uk

We also wish to include the Woodhouse Park estate as part of our catchment area because we consistently receive applications from parents living on this estate and they regularly secure a place with us for their child. They have traditionally not been included in our catchment area by virtue of this estate being in the city and this invisible boundary is not a good reason for them not to be included in our catchment area.

We do not believe this proposal detrimentally impacts on any other school. This is because our existing catchment area does not provide us with sufficient number of children to fill our available places. Consequently, parents living on the Woodhouse Park estate have historically secured places with us and this is projected to continue well into the future. This change will also not displace or disadvantage parents in the existing catchment area or parents with siblings at the school.

In line with statutory DfE requirements, we are consulting widely for a minimum of 6 weeks' from 15th December 2023 to 31st January 2024 and would like to invite you to offer any views or comments by sending these to consultation@morningtonprimary.org. Alternatively, postal responses should be sent to Admissions Consultation, Mornington Primary School, Mornington Crescent, Nuthall, Nottingham NG16 1RF. Responses should be submitted before 9:00am on 31st January. 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 local governing board will meet to consider responses. The outcome of the consultation will be published on the school website 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 the proposal is approved, Admission Arrangements for 2025/26 will take effect from September 2025.

Target Timeline : Expected key dates in the decision-making process

Key date	Milestone
15 th December 2023	Start of consultation period
31 st January 2024	Consultation ends (9:00am)
15 th March 2024	Admission Arrangements determined

Thank you in anticipation of your support.

Yours sincerely

Carla Smith
Headteacher

