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2nd November 2026

Dear interested party,

I am writing to notify you of the upcoming consultation on the academy's admissions policy. The consultation period will run from 2nd November 2026 until 14th December 2026; during this time, parents are invited to express their views and any concerns about the proposed changes to the admission arrangements at academy.

In accordance with the DfE's 2021 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.

To this end, the following amendments to our admission arrangements have been proposed:

- **2.6. Feeder Schools**
  2.6.1. Children who, at the time of the application, are attending Hunnyhill Primary School and Northwood Primary School

- **3.5. Oversubscription criteria**
  3.5.1.4. Children who, at the time of the application, are attending Hunnyhill Primary School or Northwood Primary School

This is being proposed Northwood Primary School is anticipated to join Ormiston Academies Trust (OAT) and will be encompassed within the OAT family enabling their ethos of 'cradle to career' belief of nurturing and supporting children throughout their school life. We are therefore prioritising the admission of those students to our academy in our oversubscription criteria.

A full version of the proposed changes to the admission arrangements, as well as the rationale behind them, is available to view on the academy website 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 academy, we are keen to hear your views on the proposed changes; 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 before 5pm on 12th November to: Kira Thorogood, Cowes Enterprise College, Crossfield Avenue, Cowes, Isle of Wight, PO31 8HB or by email to: kthorogood@cowesec.org.

Please note that written responses should outline your personal details, including your name, address and relationship to the academy. You are also encouraged to provide feedback on the academy website here: link to website.

At the end of the consultation period, the governing board will meet to consider responses and submit a final policy to the Ormiston Academies Trust Board of Trustees for approval.

For further information regarding the consultation process, please refer to our proposal document, copies of which can be located on the academy website or in hard copy from the school office. If you wish to further discuss this matter, or anything mentioned in this letter, please contact the school office on phone number or email address.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs R Griffiths Nash
Head of School