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Parent/Carer

Dear Parent/Carer,

**Consultation: Admissions to Schools in Suffolk 2021/2022**

Suffolk County Council is currently asking people to comment on their proposed admission arrangements for community and voluntary controlled schools in 2021/2022.

We are proposing to:

1. make one change to the Admissions Oversubscription criteria which is to amend the sibling criterion. The oversubscription criteria is used to prioritise places when a school receives more applications than the number of places available.
2. update the proposed Co-ordinated Admissions Scheme to provide the key dates for the 2021/2022 normal admissions round, and to amend the wording if none of a parent's preferences can be met.
3. Change the terminology from 'parent and carers' to 'parent' in line with education law.

Further information on the proposed changes can be found on the county council's website at **[www.suffolk.gov.uk/consultations](http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/consultations)**.

The governing bodies of voluntary aided, foundation, free schools and academies are responsible for admissions to their schools. If you want to view the arrangements for these schools you should contact the school directly. Some of these schools have asked us to include their proposed admission arrangements for 2021/2022 within our consultation. These can also be found at **[www.suffolk.gov.uk/consultations](http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/consultations)**.

The consultation closes on **Tuesday 12 November 2019**. You can have your say by completing the online survey to make any comments about the proposed policies.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jan Scott".

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