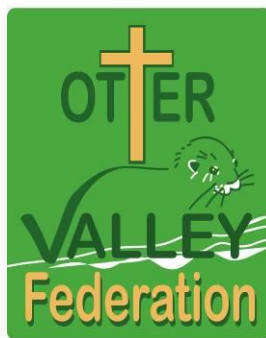


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Notification of proposal for variation to the admissions arrangements for September 2021 for Tipton St John C of E Primary School.

This is to inform you that the Governance Board is seeking a variation to the admissions arrangements from the Office of the Schools Adjudicator for admission to Year R in September 2021 in respect of the over-subscription criterion relating to church attendance. The church attendance criterion that was agreed states that '6. Priority will next be given to children who regularly attend (or whose parents regularly attend) a Christian church.' As places of worship have been closed for a period of time due to the COVID-19 pandemic, it has been impossible for people to attend church services during that time period.

The variation request is for the following to be added to the 2021 arrangements:

In the event that during the period specified for attendance at worship the church [or, in relation to those of other faiths, relevant place of worship] has been closed for public worship and has not provided alternative premises for that worship, the requirements of these [admissions] arrangements in relation to attendance will only apply to the period when the church [or in relation to those of other faiths, relevant place of worship] or alternative premises have been available for public worship.

The Governance Board has a duty to notify you as your school is within a reasonable distance of Tipton St John C of E Primary and is part of its Local Learning Community. Should you have any comments on this requested change, please notify us by emailing the clerk to the board, Jessica Benger – Jessica.benger@ottervalleyfederation.org.

Yours sincerely

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