



St Anne's C.E. Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

PRE-PUBLICATION CONSULTATION REGARDING THE PROPOSED CLOSURE OF ST ANNE'S, CHURCH OF ENGLAND, PRIMARY SCHOOL

Following our parent meeting and letter to you on 12 December about the future of St. Anne's Primary School, we are writing to inform you of the beginning of the pre-publication (informal) consultation period on the proposed closure of St. Anne's at the end of the Summer Term of 2025.

We understand that you will be anxious about the implications of this and can reassure you that governors, council officers, the SDBE and school leaders are here to support you and the pupils throughout this process. St. Anne's will remain open for the whole academic year 2024/25 and the formal consultation will need to conclude before any final decision is made.

It was a very difficult decision to make and is in no way a reflection of the quality of the current leadership and education provided at St. Anne's but in response to the declining number of pupils across the borough and the impact this has had on the financial stability of the school.

It is important that we hear your views and those of anyone else affected, and we have arranged a number of opportunities to do so, as detailed below. This includes a public meeting which will be held at St. Anne's Primary School on Wednesday 15 January 2025, from 3:45-5:45pm. All responses received during the consultation process will be considered before a decision is made on whether to proceed with the statutory process to close the school.

Timetable

The consultation process will begin on Monday 6 January 2025 and will end on Friday 14 February 2025. The full proposal can be found at: www.stanneswandsworth.co.uk/consultation

After this consultation stage, views will be considered in full, and the Governors will decide whether to publish statutory proposals for this change. If the decision is made to proceed, we will write to you again at this point outlining the next steps of the process, providing you with further advice and guidance, including on how to have your say through the four-week formal consultation stage. After this, the Council's Executive then decides whether to approve the proposals.

Activity	Timeline
Pre-publication consultation	6 January to 14 February 2025
Review period for consultation feedback and to decide whether to publish statutory proposals for these changes.	17 February to 7 March 2025

How to share your views

- Online survey: we would encourage you to complete the online survey as the most efficient and secure way to give your views.

Please scan the QR code or click the link below



www.stanneswandsworth.co.uk/consultation

- Hard copies can be available on request, by emailing consult@st-annes.wandsworth.sch.uk
- You can also give your views by attending the consultation event at St. Anne's School on Wednesday 15 January 2025 at 3:45pm.

We are committed to ensuring we work with you and the wider school community in a planned way and therefore we want to reassure parents that there is no need to act alone or immediately in response to the notification of this proposal. Through this consultation stage, we will be listening to and acting on the views and concerns of those affected and providing the details and reassurance to mitigate the risk of any future changes. Our priority is, and will remain, the wellbeing and education of the children at St. Anne's.

Yours faithfully,

The Governors of St. Annes

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Martin Baker', is positioned above the printed name.

Martin Baker
Chair of Governors

