

**Statutory Notice:**  
**Barnet Hill Junior Mixed Infant and Nursery School**

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 ("The Act"), that the London Borough of Barnet intends to make the following change:

**Barnet Hill Junior Mixed Infant and Nursery School**

In accordance with section 29 (1) (b) of the Act the London Borough of Barnet intends:

- to close **Barnet Hill Junior Mixed Infant and Nursery School**, Hammond Close, Barnet, EN5 2EQ on 31 August 2009.

Any child who is on the register of Barnet Hill JMI & Nursery School at 31 August 2009 is guaranteed a place at the enlarged Whittings Hill Primary School from September 2009. Parents can also apply for a school place at other local schools if they wish, subject to availability. Arrangements will be made for transport for those Barnet Hill JMI & Nursery School pupils who transfer to Whittings Hill Primary School.

Any remaining pupils in the Barnet Hill Nursery will transfer to Whittings Hill Nursery, Underhill Children's Centre or to other nurseries in the area depending on parental preference and the availability of places. The Nursery at Whittings Hill Primary School will retain its 39 full-time equivalent place provision and currently has surplus capacity for additional children.

Within six weeks after the date of publication of this proposal, any person may object to or make comments on the proposal by sending their representations to David Clark, School Organisation and Admissions Manager, Building 4, North London Business Park, London N11 1NP. Within one month after the end of the representation period, the Council will send to the School Organisation Committee for the area copies of all objections and comments made (and not withdrawn in writing) within the representation period, together with the Council's observations on them.

Signed            Gillian Palmer

Director of Children's Service

Date            25<sup>th</sup> January 2007

**Explanatory Notes**

This proposal is part of the Primary Schools Capital Investment Programme in Barnet which is aimed at improving the quality and standard of the primary school buildings.

There is a parallel proposal to enlarge Whitings Hill Primary School (and Nursery). This school will be completely rebuilt and expand to 2 forms of entry from September 2009. Facilities will include a swimming pool (subject to production of a robust business plan), a multi-use games area and state of the art ICT facilities. Admissions to Whitings Hill Primary School will be made up to its new admission limit of 60 pupils from September 2009.

In September 2009 Reception at Whitings Hill Primary School would admit up to 60 pupils. If the school is oversubscribed, the published admissions criteria for Barnet community primary schools would be applied in order to allocate the places available, as follows:

- children 'looked after' by the local authority and others whom the Director of Children's Service accepts have an exceptional medical, social or exceptional need that Whitings Hill Primary School is particularly able to meet
- siblings (and siblings of pupils transferring from Barnet Hill JMI & Nursery School)
- children in attendance at the nursery class at Whitings Hill Primary School
- children living within Whitings Hill Primary School's defined area, with priority given to those who live closest to the school when measuring distance in a straight line
- children living outside Whitings Hill Primary School's defined area, with priority given to those living closest to the school when measuring distance in a straight line.

The defined area for admissions around Whitings Hill Primary School will be redrawn to include the defined area around Barnet Hill JMI & Nursery School. Parents who wish to apply for places in Whitings Hill Primary School will do so using the new Co-ordinated Primary Admissions scheme via a common application form or the new eAdmissions process.

It is important to note that you may respond to either the Whitings Hill Primary School or the Barnet Hill JMI & Nursery School or both proposals. You can:

- support both proposals;
- object to one and support the other; or
- object to both.

This proposal is dependent on the approval of the proposed expansion of Whitings Hill Primary School and will not go ahead if the proposal to enlarge Whitings Hill Primary School is rejected.