

STATUTORY NOTICE

THE MARTIN INFANT SCHOOL (& NURSERY) and MARTIN JUNIOR SCHOOL Plane Tree Walk, East Finchley, N2 9JP

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the **School Standards and Framework Act 1998** ("The Act"), that:

Part 1

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

- to discontinue The Martin Infant School (& Nursery), Plane Tree Walk, East Finchley, London, N2 9JP.
- to discontinue Martin Junior School, Plane Tree Walk, East Finchley, London, N2 9JP.

with effect from 31 August 2007.

It is proposed that pupils currently attending these schools will attend the new community primary school to be established on the same site (see Part 2 below). Admission may also be sought to other schools which have places available. It is proposed that any current transport arrangements for the pupils will remain in place.

Part 2

In accordance with section 28(1) of the Act, the London Borough of Barnet intends to establish a new community primary school (and nursery) for 420 boys and girls between the ages of 4 and 11 from 01 September 2007. In addition, there will be 52 full time equivalent nursery places for 3 year olds.

The new school (and nursery) is to be situated at: Plane Tree Walk, East Finchley, N2 9JP. It is proposed that the current transport arrangements in place for The Martin Infant School (& Nursery) and for Martin Junior School pupils will remain in place.

The number of pupils to be admitted to the Nursery will remain at 52 (full time equivalent) and the number of pupils admitted to the school at age 4 ('rising 5') from 01 September 2007 and subsequent years will be 60. Pupils currently on the roll of The Martin Infant School (& Nursery) and at Martin Junior School will automatically transfer to the new school. Admission may also be sought to other schools which may have places available.

In September 2007 Reception at the new 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 the new school is particularly able to meet
- siblings
- children in attendance at the nursery class currently operating at The Martin Infant School
- children living within the defined area of the new school, with priority given to those who live closest to the school when measuring distance in a straight line
- children living outside the defined area of the new school, with priority given to those living closest to the school when measuring distance in a straight line.

The defined area for admissions around the new school will remain the same as the defined area around The Martin Infant School (& Nursery) and Martin Junior School. Parents who wish to apply for places in the new school will do so using the new Co-ordinated Primary Admissions scheme via a common application form or the new eAdmissions process.

It is proposed that the new school will adopt and build on the current curriculum studies and programmes of work of The Martin Infant School (& Nursery) and Martin Junior School. The new all through community school and nursery will enable, and ensure, continuity and progression throughout the whole age range. It is not anticipated that the staffing needs will change. In providing an all through community primary school and nursery, parents and the local community will be able to relate to one school which will provide a focal point for school leadership, community links and continuity of education for pupils aged 3 -11.

The new school will review policy and practice in all areas of school life, including pastoral care and citizenship, to promote continuity and develop the school community. The admission authority of the proposed school will be the London Borough of Barnet.

Within six weeks of the date of publication of these proposals, any person may object to or make comments on the proposals by sending representations to: David Clark, School Organisation & Admissions Manager, North London Business Park, Oakleigh Road South, 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 Authority's observations on them.

Gillian Palmer,
Director of Children's Service

Date: 1 February 2007