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| **Notre Dame RC School**  **Faith Supplementary Information Form 2025-26**  **To be completed only where you are seeking priority on the grounds of faith.**  **Normal Round admissions:** complete the yellow sections and return by **31 October 2024** or as soon as possible.  **You must also complete a LA Common Application Form**1  (eg, for Plymouth City Council area residents, at [www.plymouth.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.plymouth.gov.uk/schooladmissions))  **In-year admissions:** complete the yellow sections and return this form as soon as possible.  **You must also complete a Plymouth Common Application Form at** [www.plymouth.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.plymouth.gov.uk/schooladmissions) **Please read the school admissions policy, including glossary, before completing this form. This is published on the school website and at** [http://devon.cc/schoolpolicy**.**](http://devon.cc/schoolpolicy)  **Part A - To be completed by the parent:** | |
| **Full name of child** |  |
| **Date of birth** |  |
| Tick the box below if you believe it describes your child’s circumstances. | |
| □ | Priority will be given to Catholic looked after2 and previously looked after children who were previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to adoption, a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order3 including those who appear to the admission authority to have been in state care outside England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. |
| □ | Priority will next be given to other Catholic4 children. |
| □ | Priority will next be given to Catechumens5 and members of an Eastern Christian Church6 |



1 If you are completing a common application form from another LA without a tick box for exceptional need, you should put a note in the reasons for your preference to say you are requesting exceptional need priority and will provide the required supporting evidence using this Supplementary Information Form.

2 Children who are Looked After by or provided with accommodation in the exercise of its functions (see the Children Act 1989 section 22(1)) by a local authority.

3 An adoption order is an order under the Adoption Act 1976 (see Section 12 adoption orders) and children who were adopted under the Adoption and Children Act 2002 (see Section 46 adoption orders). A ‘child arrangements order’ is an order settling the arrangements to be made as to the person with whom the child is to live under Section 8 of the Children Act 1989 as amended by Section 14 of the Children and Families Act 2014. Section 14A of the Children Act 1989 defines a ‘special guardianship order’ as an order appointing one or more individuals to be a child’s special guardian (or special guardians).

4 ‘Catholic’ means a member of a Church in full communion with the See of Rome. This includes the Eastern Catholic Churches. This will normally be evidenced by a certificate of baptism in a Catholic Church or a certificate of reception into the full communion of the Catholic Church. For the purposes of this policy, it includes a looked after child living with a family where at least one of the parents is Catholic.

5 ‘catechumen’ means a member of the catechumenate of a Catholic Church. This will normally be evidenced by a certificate of reception into the order of catechumens.

6 ‘Eastern Christian Church’ includes Orthodox Churches, and is normally evidenced by a certificate of baptism or reception from the authorities of that Church

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| □ | Priority will next be given to children who are members of other Christian denominations,1 who regularly attend2 a Christian church3. | | |
| □ | I attach a copy of the Baptismal Certificate or a Certificate of Dedication.  If you are providing a copy of a Baptismal Certificate or a Certificate of Dedication, it is not necessary to have Part B completed. | | |
| **I confirm that I have submitted a LA Common Application Form.** | | | |
| **Your name** |  | **Date** |  |
| **Please sign here** |  | | |

## Part B - To be completed by a priest or minister:

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| **Church** |  | | |
| **Priest or minister** |  | | |
| **Address** |  | | |
| **Telephone** |  | | |
| □ | Please tick this box to confirm that the declaration by parent above is accurate. | | |
| **Your name** |  | **Date** |  |
| **Please sign here** |  | | |
| Thank you for your assistance.  This form may be used as evidence if a family is refused admission and appeals against that decision. | | | |



1 ‘Children of other Christian denominations’ means children who belong to other churches and ecclesial communities which acknowledge God’s revelation in Christ, confess the Lord Jesus Christ as God and Saviour according to the Scriptures and, in obedience to God’s will and in the power of the Holy Spirit commit themselves: to seek a deepening of their communion with Christ and with one another in the Church, which is his body; and to fulfil their mission to proclaim the Gospel by common witness and service to the world to the glory of the one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. An ecclesial community which, on principle, has no credal statements in its tradition is included if it manifests faith in Christ as witnessed to in the Scriptures and is committed to working in the spirit of the above. All members of Churches Together in England (CTE) and Churches Together in Wales (CYTUN) are deemed to be included in the above definition, as are all other churches and ecclesial communities that are in membership of any local Churches Together Group (by whatever title) on the above basis. Evidence will be by this completed Faith Supplementary information Form.

2 To regularly attend, the child attends church services on at least a monthly basis, and for a minimum period of two years immediately prior to the application being made. In the event that during the period specified for attendance at worship the church 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 alternative premises have been available for public worship.

3 A church which subscribes to the doctrine of the Holy Trinity or a church recognised by Churches Together in England.

