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Dear Parents/Carers

Consultation on amending the school admissions policy

We are writing to make you aware that we are consulting on our school's admissions policy over the next six weeks. We are proposing to make two minor changes to our current admissions policy from September 2023.

Firstly, as you may be aware, over the last few years, our Year 7 cohort has been larger than our school PAN (published admission number) of 180. This has been due to an increasing number of pupils in the area becoming secondary school age and the popularity of our school with local families. We envisage this will continue to be the case and so we would like to reflect this by permanently increasing our Year 7 PAN to 210.

Secondly, we propose to add a clause to our oversubscription criteria which will give priority to applications from the children of our school staff. We hope this will support the recruitment and retention of the excellent team of teachers and support staff we have at Midhurst Rother College.

Please be assured there will be no change to the catchment area or criteria relating to the admission of siblings.

We would like to invite parents to comment on the proposed changes. If you wish to do so, please send any comments to admissionsconsultation@mrc-academy.org by Monday 17 January 2022. If adopted, the revised admissions policy will come into effect for those applying for places at the academy for 1 September 2023. A link to our draft policy will be available on our website tomorrow and is attached to this email for ease of reference.

If you have any questions about the proposal, please do contact me.

Yours sincerely

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