

## Addendum I

### Revised Admissions Arrangements as of 1<sup>st</sup> July 2021

Our Admissions application process is currently undertaken by Birmingham City Council's Admissions Department. The school has adopted the Local Authority Admission criteria.

From July 1<sup>st</sup> 2021, the revised Admissions Code introduces a change to the definition of looked after and previously looked after children and will now include children who have been in state care outside of England but who then ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. The revised wording in the Code will be:

*“looked after children and all previously looked after children including those who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.”*

Therefore, children who have been in care outside of England and were then adopted must also be prioritised as being previously looked after from September 2021.

Here is the suggested text below that the Local Authority will be adopting in their policy.

***Children and Young People in Care and previous Children and Young People in Care***  
*Children and young people in care are children who are in (a) in the care of the local authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of the social services functions (see the definition in Section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989) at the time the application is made to school. Previously looked after children are children who were looked after, but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order or special guardianship order) immediately following having been looked after and those children who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.*

#### ***Supporting evidence***

*If the child is in the care of a local authority or provided with accommodation by that authority this must be indicated on the common application form and evidence (e.g. evidence of child in care from the placement authority) to support this claim must be submitted with the common application form. If the child has previously been in the care of a local authority or provided with accommodation by them and has subsequently been adopted, or is subject to a child arrangements order or special guardianship order this must be indicated on the common application form and evidence (e.g. adoption certificate/copy of court order) to support this claim must be submitted with the common application form. For children in state care outside of England who ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted the relevant legal document(s) must be supplied.*