

## Frequently Asked Questions about the Church of England Conversion

<p>Will the uniform change?</p>
<p><i>Not very much.</i></p> <p><i>The children have asked to make a change to the school logo to incorporate a Christian symbol and the wording of Dell Primary School on the sweatshirts/t shirts/book bags/fleeces will change to Dell Primary C of E VA School. These changes will be made during the Autumn Term ready for January, when we know for certain the change will go ahead. The school will continue to accept 'older' style sweatshirts, t shirts, fleeces and book bags, but as these are naturally renewed they will be replaced by the updated version. Nothing else will change with the uniform.</i></p>
<p>Will there be more RE taught and will the content change?</p>
<p><i>There will be the same amount of RE taught using the same curriculum, unless there are any National or County changes to the RE syllabus.</i></p>
<p>Will the Governing Body change?</p>
<p><i>The structure of the Governing Body will change to that of a Voluntary Aided school. The makeup of the new governing body will be:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><i>• 2 parent governors</i></li><li><i>• 1 Head teacher</i></li><li><i>• 1 Staff</i></li><li><i>• 1 Local Authority</i></li><li><i>• 1 Co-opted</i></li><li><i>• 8 Foundation governors</i><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><i>○ 1 Bishops Appointed</i></li><li><i>○ 3 Diocesan Board of Education</i></li><li><i>○ 4 Parochial Church Council of Oulton Broad Benefice</i></li></ul></li></ul>
<p>Will the school only accept church goers to C of E schools?</p>
<p><i>The school will be open to those with their own faiths and also to those with none.</i></p>
<p>How will the admission criteria change?</p>
<p><i>The admission criteria will change to accommodate the school being C of E. It might look as below.</i></p> <p><i>Children will be admitted in the following order of priority to the main school:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><i>• Child in Local Authority care</i></li><li><i>• Child who has the school named on their Statement of Educational Needs</i></li><li><i>• Child who has a sibling at the school and live in the school's catchment area.</i></li><li><i>• Child who lives in the schools' catchment area.</i></li><li><i>• Child out of catchment with sibling at the school</i></li><li><i>• Child with a parent on the staff of the school</i></li><li><i>• Child/immediate family has a religious affiliation to a local church (written confirmation will need to be provided)</i></li></ul>

- *Child who lives out of the school's catchment area.*

*The school has been advised that it is not allowed to guarantee a place into the school for nursery children and therefore this is not in the criteria.*

*Will the school be funded by the church?*

*No the school will not be funded by the church but continue to be funded from the Government.*

*Will the conversion change the statementing process and will the school honour any statements?*

*The statementing process will not change in any way and it is a legal obligation for the school to adhere to contents of a statement.*

*Will atheist families be made welcome?*

*All families are made welcome to the school.*

*Will all new staff have to be C of E?*

*No, but all new staff will be expected to be sympathetic to the ethos and values of the school.*

*Will the school continue to teach children about 'other' faiths and cultures?*

*The school is committed to teaching children about a range of faiths and cultures and it is particularly important in Suffolk because the county lacks diversity.*
