Admissions Policy Gozo Church Schools

The Church schools governed by this policy are:

Primary Schools:

Bishop's Conservatory Junior School, Victoria Laura Vicuna School, Ghasri St Francis School, Victoria St Theresa School, Kercem

<u>Kindergarten only (no continuity to other Church School primaries)</u>

St Francis School Nadur

Secondary Schools:

Bishop's Conservatory Secondary School, Victoria Sacred Heart Minor Seminary, Victoria

Section 1. Admissions at Kinder 1 and Form 1

Admissions to Kindergarten 1 and Form 1 are centrally organised by the Secretariat for Catholic Education. Regulations for admissions can be found on the website of the

Archdiocese of Malta available at: https://church.mt/archdiocese/church-schools/ under the heading Admissions Church Schools Gozo.

Section 2. Admissions in Other Years

Classroom population in our schools is governed by Education Authorities and the Malta Union of Teachers' Collective Agreements. Throughout the course of the years, student population within schools may vary as students might opt to pursue their education at other educational institutions. In this eventuality, when vacancies arise and the management team of the particular school decides to fill the vacancy, admission to fill the vacant place shall take place as described below.

Procedure for Admission:

- 1. Throughout the course of the year, individual schools receive letters of intent from parents who would like their child to be admitted at a particular school should a vacancy arise.
- 2. All letters of intent should be addressed to the Head of School and include:
 - a. The Name and Surname of the child in question
 - b. The intent for admission
 - c. The date of birth of the child
 - d. Contact details of the parents
 - e. Where applicable, an added paragraph should be included in the letter of intent which highlights the possibility of provision of an LSE as regulated by the Department of Education and MUT agreements. In the case where a Statement of Needs Report already exists, this is to be included with the documentation provided.

- 3. Both electronic and hard copies of letters of intent may be provided. All letters will be acknowledged by the School Secretary of the respective school by e-mail. Details of schools governed by this Policy are listed further down in this document.
- 4. A. In the case of request for admission into any of the primary schools, there is no need for a letter of intent to be sent every year as these letters will be kept in file and the date of birth serves to indicate the year cohort in which the child/ren would be admitted should a vacancy arise.
 - B. In the case of the secondary schools a letter of intent needs to be sent each year to confirm the wish to be admitted should a vacancy arise. Letters of intent received within a scholastic year remain valid till the end of the scholastic year, that is, August 31st of any given year.
- 5. In the eventuality of such vacancies, the School Management will prepare a report indicating the list of candidates. The following criteria and order will determine how the vacancy will be filled:

Acceptance of students with a statement of needs applying under any of the criteria below, can only be considered if the maximum quota for students required the support of an LSE hasn't already been reached in the particular year group/class.

- a. Social Cases. In such applications, a board shall be set up to decide on the merits of the case.
- b. Children of employees of the particular school.
- c. Siblings of students attending the particular school.
- d. Any other applicants will be admitted on a first come first served basis according to the date when they sent their email/letter of intent to the school where there is the vacancy.

In the eventuality of a single vacancy and more than one applicant in a category, the child admitted will be the one whose application was received first.

Contact details of the Church schools governed by this policy

Bishop's Conservatory Secondary (Secondary Girls)

Email: info@bcss.edu.mt

Telephone: +356 21560277 Mobile: +356 79560277 Address: Archbishop P Pace Street, Victoria, VCT 2503 Gozo

Website: http://bishopsconservatory.edu.mt/

Sacred Heart Minor Seminary (Secondary Boys)

Email: <u>headofschool@gozoseminary.com</u>

Telephone: +356 21556479

Address: Enrico Mizzi Street, Victoria, VCT2042 Gozo

Website: http://www.gozoseminary.com/

Bishop's Conservatory Junior School (Kinder & primary Co-Ed)

Email: info@bcjs.edu.mt

Telephone: +356 21556506 / 21550008

Address: Archbishop Pietru Pace Street Victoria, VCT 2503, Gozo

Website: http://bishopsconservatory.edu.mt/

Laura Vicuna Primary School (Kinder & primary Co-Ed)

Email: <u>info@lauravicunaschool.com</u> Telephone: +356 21564937 / 21556346

Address: Pjazza s-Salvatur Ghasri, GSR1012, Gozo Website: https://www.lauravicunaschool.com/

St. Francis Primary School Victoria (Kinder & primary Co-Ed)

Email: sfs@stfrancisvct.edu.mt Telephone: +356 2756 2264

Address: Palm Street, Rabat, VCT1305, Ghawdex

Website: https://www.mmargherita.org/

St. Theresa Primary School (Kinder & primary Co-Ed)

Email: info@sttheresa.edu.mt

Telephone: +356 21556347/21565650

Address: Dr. Anton Calleja Street, Kercem, KCM 1110, Gozo

Website: http://www.sttheresaschoolgozo.com

St. Francis Primary School Nadur (Kindergarten CO-Ed)

Email: sclarahead@gmail.com
Telephone: +356 21556650

Address: 31, Madre G Camilleri Str Nadur, NDR 1105, Gozo

fb: St Francis School – Nadur Gozo

In implementing these procedures, the Gozo Church Schools abide by set regulations of the Secretariat for Catholic Education and assure that they are not in breach of delineated procedures.

This admissions procedure may be revised from time to time as deemed appropriate by the Church Schools governed by this policy.

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