



Wimbledon College

Evidence of Catholic Practice in Supplementary Information Forms following the Coronavirus outbreak

It is the intention of the governing body to seek a variation from the Office of the Schools' Adjudicator, in relation to Catholic practice. Granting of this variation is, at this time, pending.

On the advice of the Education Commission of the Archdiocese of Southwark the governing body of Wimbledon College has agreed the following statement in order to clarify how its faith-based oversubscription criteria will be interpreted whilst churches are closed or attendance at church is not possible due to COVID 19. This statement has been shared widely with parishes in order to ensure that determinations made by parish priests concerning regular practice of the faith are being made on a consistent basis.

The suspension of the obligation to attend Sunday Mass was announced on 18th March 2020 by Bishops' Conference of England and Wales.

If a child attended Mass at a certain frequency at a particular parish (or parishes) prior to 18th March 2020 then they will be considered to have attended Mass in that parish (or parishes) at the same frequency since that time. This will remain the case until the Sunday obligation is reintroduced by the Bishops.