

Proposal to amalgamate the Student Body of Christ Church SW9 (Brixton) and St John the Divine

To amalgamate St John The Divine, Church of England, Primary School with Christ Church SW9, Church of England School, Primary School, from September 1st 2026.

St John The Divine, Church of England, Primary School is located in Warham St, London SE5 0SX

Christ Church SW9, Church of England, Primary School is located in Cancell Road, London SW9 6HN

The number of children in each year group at Christ Church SW9 Primary School will remain at 30. All pupils attending St John The Divine Primary School will be offered a place at Christ Church SW9 Primary School and St John The Divine Primary School will discontinue.

Notice is given in accordance with section 15 of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 (as amended by the Education Act 2011) and the School Organisation (Establishment and Discontinuance of Schools) Regulations 2013.

After careful consideration, Lambeth Council Proposes the amalgamation of St John The Divine, Church of England, Primary School with Christ Church SW9, Church of England School, Primary School, in the East planning area.

Why Are We Proposing to Amalgamate the Schools?

This proposal is primarily driven by the ambition to ensure strong and sustainable schools in the area that will provide the highest quality education for pupils. With falling pupil numbers impacting on primary schools across Lambeth, the forecast for the long-term sustainability of current primary school places is of major concern.

Both schools are well led and have managed their budgets as efficiently as possible, however, the continued decline in the number of applications means that the sustainability of the schools is at risk, due to low pupil numbers. This will impact on the quality of education the schools will be able to deliver in the future.

We are committed through this proposal and formal consultation, to be clear and transparent, to listen to and consider the views and concerns of those affected. We appreciate the impact this consultation will have on the schools and the communities they serve. However, we believe it is necessary to safeguard the quality of education in Lambeth for the future.

This proposal is published on **9 September 2024**.

The closing date for receipt of responses to the representation period is **7 October 2024**. The Council's Cabinet will meet after the end of the representation period, in **November 2024**, to take the final decision on whether to amalgamate the students of Christ Church SW9 (Brixton) and St John the Divine.



This Notice is an extract from the complete proposal. Copies of the complete proposal can be viewed on the [Lambeth website](#). If you require a paper copy of this, please contact us via email at pppconsultation@lambeth.gov.uk

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Full Statutory Proposal to amalgamate the Student Body of Christ Church SW9 (Brixton) and St John the Divine

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SW9 6HN
Email: admin@christchurchschool.cc
Category: Voluntary Aided

Name and address of school to amalgamate with Christ Church SW9 Primary School:

St John the Divine Church of England Primary School
Warham Street
Camberwell
London
SE5 0SX
Email: admin@sjtdprimary.org.uk
Category: Voluntary Aided

Implementation

Christ Church SW9 (Brixton) and St John the Divine will amalgamate on **1 September 2026**.



Procedure for making representations (objections and comments)

Within four weeks from the date of publication of this proposal, any person may object, give their view or make comments on the proposal:

- i. Via the online survey, on the Lambeth Council website [here](#).
We encourage you to complete the online survey as the most efficient and secure way to give your views.
- ii. by email to: pppconsultation@lambeth.gov.uk
- iii. By hand to the office at St John The Divine or Christ Church SW9 in a sealed envelope

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