
From: Fowler, David
Sent: 25 June 2019 13:21
To: Planning
Subject: FW: I support Abacus School ! Pleae allow Abacus to open in the police station.

Please upload letter. 2019/2375/P

Thanks,

David

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Principal Planner

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 24 June 2019 20:32
To: Fowler, David [REDACTED]
Subject: I support Abacus School ! Pleae allow Abacus to open in the police station.

Dear David, I am a parent from Belsize Park. We applied for a place in a state school, for my 14 year old daughter AND WE DID NOT RECEIVE ONE. In fact, there were so many children that did NOT receive places that year Camden opened a temporary school and ultimately forced Primrose Hill School to make a bulge class to accommodate the class from the temporary school. My daughter was finally offered a state school place in year 4.

It is absolutely NOT TRUE that a Belsize school with only 30 students spaces per year will take students from other schools. There are generally more than 80 students in Belsize wanting places in states schools and who are offered places not in the schools close to Belsize but the farthest schools that generally take more than one bus to travel to or some even take an hour to walk to . This is not possible with mothers with small children... and the sad thing is that the parents who usually have to take these schools (which have one off places) are generally those who can't find other options.

There are also many children in Belsize Park who are in council houses and really need these places- these are often the parents who have to take the places which are very difficult to get to and that causes a hardship for their families. Since places usually are sporadically located over many schools- parents do not have a community to help with transport.

We had a huge list of buildings that we provided and THERE REALLY ISN'T any other building option and the parents who are attending the school are committed to walking and taking local buses to school (The 268 Bus goes door to door)

I am really surprised that parents who are lucky enough to have spaces in local schools would write letters that might deprive other parents the same right. I am writing this letter to hopefully prevent other parents having to go through the stress that I and the other parents had to go through.

Abacus Belsize Primary is really needed in the Hampstead Police Station which is very close to Belsize Park. Please allow this school to move into the Hampstead Police Station.

Thank you and Regards,

Christina McKenzie