

Summary of representation responses

Date received	Response (personal / identifiable information redacted)
23/10/2018	Letter of support from Executive Director of PaJeS {Appendix 1a(iii)}
24/10/2018	<p>I currently have children at Noam Primary School and one who has progressed into high school.</p> <p>I believe that Noam is an amazing school and the recent Ofsted report backs this up. My children are incredibly lucky to be going to such a caring school.</p> <p>However, there are things that Noam, as a private school, cannot provide. I strongly believe that VA status will enable Noam to provide proper facilities to enable our children to receive the education they deserve and help Noam to achieve its ambition of an outstanding in its next Ofsted</p>
24/10/2018	<p>I have been a parent of Noam Primary School since the second year of its inception. I have been so impressed over the years by the strong secular education, the solid moral code set by the religious department as well as the British values taught and the “village” style school where children of all ages play together and all look after each other. It is a warm and friendly school where the happiness of the staff filters down into the children. There is strong leadership from the head and she is respected and well liked. We have been very fortunate to have been in the school for all 6 children and have seen the strong education pay off as they were in the top sets for Maths, English and Science in their high schools. Noam would be a real asset to Barnet and likewise, to benefit from state aid would allow the school to flourish instead of being cooped up in rented premises.</p>
24/10/2018	<p>As parents at Noam primary school we are writing to strongly support the school’s application for voluntary aided status.</p> <p>The move of the school to the state sector is long overdue and will make an enormous difference to the children being educated there.</p> <p>We hope the local authority will agree to this application.</p>
24/10/2018	<p>I am a mum at The Noam Primary School for the last 10 years. My oldest child has graduated from there and my other children are currently studying there. My husband and I are very happy with the school and we are looking forward for it to become state aided soon.</p> <p>Academically and socially we are very happy and feel it as a success primary school for us as a family. We do however feel that it can achieve so much more to become an outstanding school if we had VA status to help us provide the right facilities our children deserve from playground to practical class resources. We would be grateful, as our children will, when this happens.</p>

24/10/2018	<p>We are taking the time to write to you to tell you how much it would benefit us and our children for Noam Primary School to become voluntary aided.</p> <p>We are proud parents of children at the school and we are very happy there. However, they would benefit greatly from having better resources both academically and socially, in the classroom and outside. In addition, we would really appreciate as parents having the benefit of the council's support in various areas such as curriculum etc.</p> <p>We came to the school always hoping to see it become voluntary aided, and we look forward to the day soon that this dream will become a reality for us!</p>
24/10/2018	<p>I understand you are the person to whom I should address about my children's School, Noam Primary School's application to become voluntary aided. I am fully in support of their application and have read their proposal which was submitted and endorse it wholeheartedly.</p> <p>I have had one child progress through Noam and carry on to Year 7 with flying colours (and SATS). Whilst she might have been an exceptional student, it is a testimony of how encouraging and nurturing Noam and its teachers are for their pupils and how they help them to achieve their potential. I currently have two children who are supported by the school in their learning journey.</p> <p>I would hope that with the assistance of voluntary aid, Noam's current limitations (mainly due to constraints in premises and current budget) will be removed and allow more children to benefit and flourish. Better facilities and resources which go hand in hand with the voluntary aid and development of the new Noam building would in turn allow Noam to achieve its ambitions of becoming an outstanding school.</p> <p>Whilst I am part of the religious community that send children to Noam, I work in the City and as such straddle two worlds. Noam reflects that ethos and my children are growing up with an excellent balance in their knowledge.</p> <p>I hope that the proposal will be successful and Noam will go from strength to strength.</p>
24/10/2018	<p>I am writing to let you know how passionately I believe in the Noam Primary School application for voluntary aid you are currently considering. Of course, I am influenced by the fact four of my children attend the school, but as a teacher I simply cannot tell you how fabulous the staff in that school are. They strive for excellence in all areas, not only academic but pastoral, but looking to the future, making sure the children go onto higher education as well-rounded, decent human beings with a real desire to improve themselves and the world. What more could we want from our young people?</p> <p>To have produced such excellent results year on year for such a sustained time in a building that, at present does leave a lot to be desired, is a testament to the sheer will and force of the people in the</p>

	<p>school to help children become fabulous adults. Imagine what could be achieved in a purpose-built space, with professional support coming from Barnet? It would surely become a school to be immensely proud of in your borough.</p> <p>It's a huge commitment from you, but my goodness the school is ready to move to the next level in its growth in partnership with Barnet. I can only see that any monetary concerns would be assuaged with the huge success of the school and the inevitable demand for places.</p> <p>Please agree to the school's proposal and secure a long-term place for Noam and a secure future for all of the pupils, their families, teachers, headteachers and support staff. You would be hard-pressed to find a team so utterly dedicated to making a school succeed.</p>
24/10/2018	<p>My family wanted to write to you to support our school's application to become a voluntary aided.</p> <p>Our son has struggled with dyslexia and dyscalculia. The school has tried so hard to support him and I'm pleased that through their work he has been granted an EHCP. However, if the school would have been voluntary aided I believe they would have been better resourced to support him.</p> <p>Noam holds a special place within the Jewish community. We chose to send to Noam as while it teaches the religious values that we strive to teach at home, the school also ensures that students become contributing and valued members British society.</p> <p>We have other children in the school. We wholeheartedly and sincerely support their application and hope that the reviewing officers will look favourable on their application and secure the future of our beautiful school.</p>
24/10/2018	<p>We wanted to express our interest in having Noam Primary School as a state aided school. We now have 3 kids in the school, one just finished Y6 in August.</p> <p>The school is amazing! They look after our kids like they were their own. Our kids are happy and excited to go to school every day.</p> <p>To have state aid would open new doors and a new exciting challenge, and be greatly appreciate by everyone.</p>
24/10/2018	<p>We currently have children in Noam Primary, and our oldest has recently graduated to secondary school, having been at Noam since nursery.</p> <p>We are extremely happy with the school, it has a warm community spirit. Our children are very happy, and are thriving in their education. We fully support Noam becoming voluntary aided, which will help give the school a secure footing for years to come.</p>

24/10/2018	<p>I am writing to you as a long-standing Noam parent in support of Noam's application to become State-aided. I have been a parent at Noam since its second year, 2000. I have had three children go through the school and my fourth is currently in year six.</p> <p>Noam is a lovely school, with a British-respecting and Orthodox Jewish ethos. The staff care about the children's well-being as well as their learning, and liaise with parents regularly. I have been especially pleased with the school's pastoral care over the years - they have contacted me on occasion and have responded well to my concerns. The children learn in a variety of different ways and make pleasing progress in both the National Curriculum and in their Jewish studies</p> <p>In short, I feel that Noam would be an asset to Barnet as a State-aided school, and do hope that it will be awarded that status very shortly.</p>
25/10/2018	<p>I write to you as a parent of children at Noam, a parent of children who have graduated from Noam Primary School, as a member of the Noam Education Committee, and an educator in a Barnet-supported school. In my above capacities I have seen what Noam has already accomplished, as well the benefit of being part of the Barnet School system, with the support and cohesion that it offers. I believe that Noam Primary School has so much to offer to the community, and working with Barnet will allow it to offer more to Barnet children than it already does. There is a clear demand for more good, funded school places in the Barnet Jewish community, and I believe that should Noam Primary School's proposal for voluntary aid be accepted, this will address the needs of the community. Noam Primary School has already achieved so much as an independent school, and with Barnet's support, can achieve so much more.</p>
25/10/2018	<p>I am writing to endorse Noam Primary School's application for voluntary aided status. As a long-term parent at the school (my eldest child started the school in 2006, and my youngest is still a pupil), I have been very happy with the school.</p> <p>Voluntary aided status would however make a huge difference to the quality of provision at school. It would allow the staff and governors to tap into resources to improve things like provision of differentiated learning, and better tracking of pupil attainment, as well as ensuring each child had access to all the benefits of being in the State aided system.</p> <p>Becoming state aided would, in my opinion, take Noam Primary School onto the next level.</p>
25/10/2018	<p>I am writing to explain why it is so important that our school is successful in this voluntary aid application.</p> <p>I feel I am in a good position to put this viewpoint across for a number of reasons. We have been lucky enough to have all 6 of our children educated at Noam. Three have graduated and three are there now. Each child has an individual character and way of learning and each</p>

has benefited in different ways. But the main unifying factor is something of great value to us and that is to be useful contributors to the community and country they live in.

The children learn a sense of responsibility and of doing the right thing. They learn to have a strong identity and to use that to strive to do their best in everything. Our oldest son just turned 17 and is studying electrical installation. He also takes on various jobs to gain experience. In his spare time, he is a youth group leader as well as regularly helping local families by keeping their special needs children busy for an hour or so a week.

A few years ago, I started working in the nursery. I see first-hand just how dedicated the teachers are and so full of innovative ideas. The voluntary aid status would allow those ideas to come into fruition so that every child could make maximum progress with access to so much more.

I urge you to push this application forward and help these kids and their teachers have maximum success.