

## **Proposed closure of Whitton School (to be re-opened as an academy)**

Notice is given in accordance with section 15(1) of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 that the London Borough of Richmond upon Thames, Regal House, London Road, Twickenham, TW1 3QB, intends to discontinue Whitton School, Percy Road, Whitton, Twickenham, TW2 6JW, on 31 August 2010.


It is planned that the school will re-open as an academy on 1 September 2010. The pupils in Years 7-10 inclusive as at 31 August 2009 will automatically transfer to the academy on 1 September 2010.

Pupils in the attached unit (The Gateway) for statemented young people with autistic spectrum disorders, which is currently managed by Whitton School, will remain in The Gateway, but its management will pass to the control of the local special school provision. The pupils currently attending The Gateway will, as appropriate, continue to receive home to school transport as part of their statements of special educational needs.

This Notice is an extract from the complete proposal. Copies of the complete proposal can be obtained from: Matthew Paul, Children's Services and Culture, London Borough of Richmond upon Thames, Regal House, London Road, Twickenham, TW1 3QB, or [m.paul@richmond.gov.uk](mailto:m.paul@richmond.gov.uk), or from [www.richmond.gov.uk/academies](http://www.richmond.gov.uk/academies).

Within six weeks from the date of publication of this proposal, any person may object to or make comments on the proposal by sending them to Matthew Paul, at the postal or email address given above. The closing-date for responses is 26 October 2009.

Signed:



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