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Friday 6th December 2024

Consultation on the reduction of the published admission number at Neasden Primary School

Proposed reduction from 45 admissions per year to 30 per year

Consultation period: December 9th 2024 to January 20th 2025 (6 week consultation period)

Dear Parents / Carers,

Why are we consulting?

The Schools/Academies Admissions Code sets out a requirement for all admission authorities to undertake statutory consultation where they propose a variation to the Published Admission Number (PAN) of a school.

The purpose of this consultation is to seek the view of parents, carers and other interested stakeholders on the proposal to reduce the school's PAN for September 2026.

The Trust board and Local Governing Body of Neasden Primary School propose that the published admission number be reduced from 45 to 30 for the September 2026 admissions process and beyond. The Local Authority has also been informed of the proposal. The proposal to reduce the school's PAN will mean that the number of places available for children in Years FS1 to 6 from September 2026 will be 30 in each year group. There will be no change for children who already have a place at the school.

Reasons for the proposed changes:

Neasden Primary School has been in a fortunate position to be able to offer places for 45 children per year group, in the local area for many years. However, this has never been stable and consistent year on year. This has historically averaged out with larger and smaller year groups but with the current picture of falling birth rates across the city and nationally, we are seeing intakes of less than 30 for consecutive years which is projected to continue.

For the school to continue to be in a financially stable position and for the staff to continue to offer our children the best education, the Trust Board and School Governors have agreed to reduce the Published Admission Number from 45 down to 30. This means that Neasden Primary School will go from being a one and a half form entry school to a one form entry school.

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The governors and leaders at the school want Neasden Primary school to continue to be a part of the local community and to be a school of choice for the families it serves, whilst continuing to operate efficiently and in a cost effective manner.

Who are we consulting with?

- Parents and carers of children already attending the school
- Parents of other children in the local area
- School staff
- The Local Authority
- Other Primary Schools in the local area
- Anyone else who might be affected by the proposed change

What happens next?

The process is quite straight forward, involving consultation, discussion and administration. The reduction in classes won't happen immediately. Following the consultation period, if this is agreed to by all parties concerned, the changes could come into effect as soon as September 2026; the first year of one form intake. It would then take another six years for the school to become fully operational as a one form entry school. We will take the consultation findings back to the local authority and to our Trust Board for final approval.

How to respond:

The consultation will run from 9am December 9th, 2024 until 3pm on Monday 20th January, 2025. All responses must be received by then. Representations received after this specified time and date will not be considered. You can respond to the consultation by writing to the school office at: FAO: The Headteacher, Katy Drinkall, Neasden Primary School, Neasden Close, Wembley Park Avenue, HU8 0QB. If for any reason you would like to discuss this issue further, I would be very willing to meet with you. Please make an appointment through the school office.

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Katy Drinkall Headteacher

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