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Consultation on Proposed Admission Arrangements for Whitley Village Primary School

Reduction to Published Admission Number (PAN) from 2026

Introduction:

When a school and its Trust proposes to make changes to their admission arrangements, they must consult to ensure all views are heard. Whitley Village Primary School is consulting on changes to the admission arrangements and invites you to share your views.

Proposed change to the Published Admission Number (PAN) and why we are proposing this change:

The current high numbers applying for places at Whitley Village Primary School is positive and the reputation of the school is favourable in the local community.

Pupil numbers are expected to rise over the next four years:

2025-2026 predicted at 81 pupils

2026-2027 predicted at 83 pupils

2027-2028 predicted at 88 pupils

2028-2029 predicted at 91 pupils

Whitley Village Primary School would be at capacity (with current PAN of 13) by the 2028-2029 academic year. At this point, stakeholders do not feel that we would be able to offer the unique and beneficial start to our pupils' education, that we currently do.

We therefore propose to reduce the Published Admission Numbers (PAN) from 13 to 12 from September 2026, protecting the future class sizes and the quality of education.

Who are we consulting with?

When proposing a change we will consult with:

- a) current parents of children attending Whitley Village Primary School
- b) The Cheshire West and Chester Local Authority and

c) local schools in the vicinity of Whitley Village Primary School

Admission Arrangements as at 2026

We propose an admission number of 12 per year group and sometimes have some spaces in Years 1 to 6. If we have space, we welcome all in-year applications, regardless of geographical location. We welcome visits to the school by families who may be interested in applying - please contact the school office on 01606 822991 to make an appointment. Applications are then made online, via the Cheshire West and Chester website using the 'In year Transfer' form.

All admissions for Reception must be made through the Local Authority website, in which you reside.

How can you respond?

We would like to hear your views on this proposal. Responses should be sent in writing.

Please send any comments regarding the above proposed changes by emailing

sbm@acornswitley.co.uk

Please mark your email WHITLEY VILLAGE PRIMARY SCHOOL CONSULTATION

The consultation will be open between Wednesday 9th October and Friday 22nd November 2024.