

STONEYDELPH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Consultation on change to the Published
Admission Number (PAN) for
September 2024





Stoneydelph Primary School

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Monday 7th November 2022

In accordance with the School Admission Regulations 2012, **Stoneydelph Primary School** wishes to hear your views on its proposed changes to admission arrangements for September 2024.

Your opinions are important to us and we are keen to receive your comments on our admission arrangements before they are formally approved.

The consultation will close at 5pm on Monday 19th December.

Proposal

Stoneydelph Primary School, who are a member of Community Academies Trust, propose that published admission number (PAN) be reduced from 45 to 30 from September 2024.

This means that the number of places available for children in Reception in September 2024 and all subsequent Reception cohorts will be 30. For children who already have a place in the school the year groups will not change. This is the only proposed change to the admission criteria; all other criteria will remain the same.

Rationale

The following factors have been considered by the school and Community Academies Trust when deciding to consult on this proposal:

- A PAN of 45 results in mixed age classes across the school. This has an impact on curriculum intent and implementation of the curriculum across the specified age phase. Some pupils find learning alongside pupils who are in the age above or below them to be a significant challenge.
- Funding is largely related to the number of pupils on roll and vacancies in classes result in a negative impact on the school budget. With a PAN of 30, all spaces in a class will be filled and the school can operate more efficiently and cost effectively, giving every single pupil the best possible education.
- Current numbers for Reception and projected numbers for future Reception intakes fall short of the 45 pupils. Bringing our PAN in line with the actual pupil admission numbers will ensure the maximum possible revenue will be received for each cohort and our resources are used more effectively across the school.
- The total number of pupils from Reception to Year 6 recorded in the October 2022 census was 243 which is below the current capacity of 315.

- New building in the local area is not predicted to increase pupil numbers in our local community catchment area. New schools in other areas of Tamworth have been or are planned to be built to accommodate an increase in local population.
- Reducing the PAN will assist the school in providing stability in long term planning and allow high quality educational outcomes for pupils.

In accordance with the school admissions regulations, the school is consulting with key stakeholders including;

- Parents/carers of pupils and prospective parents;
- Other persons in the area who have an interest in the proposed arrangements;
- The local authority
- Other local schools

A full copy of the proposed admission arrangements are available on the school website.

Any comments should be sent to: office@stoneyclph.staffs.sch.uk before 5pm on Monday 19th December.

Kind regards,

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