

21st November 2018

Dear Parents and carers,

Consultation on changes to the admission arrangements of Glenleigh Park Primary Academy

I am writing to advise you of a proposal to reduce the Published Admission Number at Glenleigh Park from 75 to 60 from September 2020.

Background

The school currently has a Published Admission Number (PAN) of 75 in Reception. This means that the school must admit up to 75 pupils in Reception each year. The school would like to reduce this number to 60 which means that school would only admit up to 60 pupils into Reception. Current pupils will not be affected by the change, it would only apply to applications for Reception class in 2020.

Reasons for the proposed change

Since opening in 2012 the maximum number of pupils admitted into the Reception year has been 56. Future birth rate projections and population models suggest that it is highly unlikely that the school will ever need to offer 75 places. By reducing the PAN to 60 it allows the school to organise itself permanently as a two-form entry primary school. This will allow the school to maximise the use of existing accommodation to best support the learning of pupils and will mean that the school does not need to keep classrooms unused in case the number on roll increases. These additional spaces will be able to be used to further increase the range of learning opportunities available to pupils for example, through a dedicated music teaching space.

Timetable

The consultation period lasts from 21st November 2018 to 24th January 2019. The school will consult with families, other schools, the local authority and interested parties. The school will then consider the responses received and decide whether to make the proposed change. If the change is made it will apply from September 2020.

Next steps

You can see a copy of our proposed admissions arrangements for 2020 on our website at <http://glenleighparkprimaryacademy.mosaicaeducation.com/files/2018/09/GPA-ADMISSIONS-POLICY-2020-21.pdf> We would be happy to send you a copy if you prefer. Please send your comments

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on the proposed reduction of the PAN to Mr Freeston or Mrs Richardson by 24th January 2018. You can do this by email to glpaoffice@auroraacademies.org or by post. Alternatively, we would be happy to discuss the proposed changes in person.

Yours sincerely,

James Freeston
Executive Headteacher

Jo Richardson
Interim Head of School

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