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Theale Green School

Mixed Secondary Academy sponsor led: Activate Learning Education Trust

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Theale Green School would like to propose reducing the Pupil Admission Numbers (PAN) with effect from 1 September 2021.

Although the Regulations and Code of Practice relating to school admissions no longer require an admissions authority to consult when maintaining or increasing a school's PAN, there remains a requirement to consult when the proposal is to reduce a PAN. Theale Green School as the admissions authority is seeking comments on the proposed change.

Proposal

Theale Green School proposes to reduce the published admission number of the school from 227 to 180 with effect from 1 September 2021.

We do not propose to make any other changes to our admissions policy.

Factors have been considered by Theale Green School in deciding to consult on this proposal are:

- The school has not had a total roll exceeding 140 pupils in any academic year group in the last four years.
- The Year 7 roll is likely to increase above this over the next few years.
- A PAN of 227 if capacity were reached would result in seven classes of 32/33 students; a reduction of PAN to 180 would result in a maximum class size of 30.
- Class sizes of 33 students would result in over-crowded classrooms and shared spaces within the school. A PAN of 180 would alleviate any potential pressure and allow for more efficient use of space and resources within the school.
- The school is committed to reviewing the PAN if the local context dictates a need for this in the future.



How to Respond

This consultation will run from 18th November 2019 to 30th December 2019 and you are invited to submit comments in writing about the proposal above for the attention of the Chair of Governors, Dr John Gate on email below

Email: headpa@thealegreen.w-berks.sch.uk

Written Response:

Chair of Governors

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Following the consultation period Theale Green School will consider any comments received and how to proceed. Admission arrangements for 2021 will be determined by February 2020.