

Proposal to reduce the Published Admission Number (PAN) of West Walker Primary School from 40 to 30 for all year groups from 2025-26

Why are we making these proposals?

The context of the proposal is that West Walker Primary School currently has a PAN of 40, whereas primary schools typically have a PAN of 30, 60 etc (known as one form or two form entry) or occasionally 45 (known as one and a half form entry). This is linked to infant class size regulations, which require classes to have no more than 30 pupils up to the end of Year 2, other than in highly exceptional circumstances. Admitting more than 30 pupils in a year group has resource implications as additional teachers must be employed.

Why is this consultation taking place?

The current PAN of 40 per year group provides a total school capacity of 280 from Reception-Year 6. In the last 6 years the highest number of pupils attending the school was 208 in 2018. There have only been year groups with more than 30 pupils occasionally. Currently there are no classes with more than 30 pupils.

What will happen next?

This is the first step of the consultation. Comments on this consultation will be considered by the school and Trust, who will then decide whether to proceed further with the formal process of reducing the PAN.

How do I make my views known?

Please find details of the consultation arrangements below:

Commencing: Wednesday 8 November 2023 15:00

Ending: Wednesday 20 December 2023 15:00

Responses: Comments/opinions on this proposal will be submitted to the Trust Board of NEAT Academy Trust via online submission (using the link below):

<https://forms.gle/5muXnHXUhYJs7fhg8>

Alternatively, you may submit your response in writing using the form overleaf and submit this to either the school office or directly to the Trust Head Office at:

PUBLIC CONSULTATION RESPONSE

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Your views are important and we would value your opinions.

Please provide an online response at: <https://forms.gle/5muXnHXUhYJs7fhg8>
or write any comments you wish to be considered below and return this page to the school or by posting this to the NEAT Academy Trust address details above.

Responses must be received by Wednesday 20 December 2023 at 15:00.