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HEAD TEACHER *Mr M Ashton*

Dear Stakeholder,

Proposal to Reduce the Published Admission Number

The Governing Board and Leadership Team at Warwick Bridge Primary School propose to reduce the Published Admission Number (PAN) for Reception from 30 to 25, to take effect from September 2025.

The proposed change will help our school focus its learning for our youngest pupils. The Governing Board and staff are working to continue to improve the outcomes of all our pupils and feel strongly that the proposed reduction will benefit future outcomes for our children, whilst enabling us to meet the demand of school places.

The proposed change will not affect the current pupils or those who choose to accept an offer for a school place in September 2024. All current and future parents and any other interested stakeholders can make comments on this proposal, information on how you can do this is detailed at the end of this letter.

Background

The current Published Admission Number (PAN) for Warwick Bridge Primary School is 30. Reducing the PAN will assist the school to provide stability in its long-term planning and allow the school to secure high-quality educational outcomes for the pupils on our roll, while continuing to provide an appropriate number of places for future pupil numbers in line with the demand in the Warwick Bridge area.

Specific Proposal

The Governing Board and Leadership team at Warwick Bridge Primary School proposes to reduce the Published Admission Number (PAN) from 30 to 25 with effect from September 2025. For pupils who already have a place at Warwick Bridge School in other year groups, there will be no change. We are also proposing to add into our admissions criteria that children who attend our Nursery provision and children of staff members will be considered under our oversubscription criteria. The proposed Admission Policy for Academic Year 2025-2026 can be viewed on our website.

It is important to consider the views of our parents and wider community. If you would like to contribute to the consultation, please complete the Stakeholder Response Form available on our website.

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How to make your views known

The consultation will run from Friday 20th October 2023 until Friday 1st December 2023. All stakeholders are invited to submit comments in writing about the proposal to:

FAO Mrs Gemma Reed
Warwick Bridge School
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Or email to: admin@warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk (subject heading: PAN Consultation)

For the duration of the consultation Warwick Bridge School will display the following on the website:

- Stakeholder Letter
- Stakeholder Response Form
- Current Admissions Arrangements (Sept 2024/2025)
- Proposed Admission Arrangements (September 2025)

Stakeholders are deemed to be:

- Parents and carers of children aged between 3 and 11 years of age
- All other admission authorities within the relevant area
- Cumberland Council
- Other persons or groups in the local area who may have an interest in the proposed new arrangements.

Yours sincerely

Mr M Ashton
Head Teacher