

Consultation on the Admissions Arrangements for Willow Bank Primary School (2026-2027)

Introduction

Willow Bank Primary School, part of the Woodland Academy Trust, is conducting a statutory consultation regarding its Admission Arrangements for the academic year 2026-2027. As required by the School Admissions Code (2021), this consultation aims to ensure transparency and community engagement. This document outlines the consultation process and invites stakeholders to provide feedback.

Proposed Admission Arrangements

No changes are proposed to the current Admission Arrangements. The arrangements for 2026-2027 are consistent with the principles of fairness, inclusion, and compliance with statutory requirements.

Key aspects of the Admission Arrangements include:

- Pupil Admission Number (PAN):** The PAN for Reception is currently 60. Woodland Academy Trust propose to reduce the PAN to 30. Reducing the PAN to 30 would allow the school to operate within a more sustainable structure aligned with current and anticipated pupil numbers.
- Oversubscription Criteria:** These prioritise:
 - Looked after children and previously looked after children.
 - Children with siblings at the school.
 - Children with documented medical or social needs.
 - Proximity to the school.
- Application Process:** Admissions are coordinated by the London Borough of Bexley.
- Appeals Process:** An established process for parents whose applications are unsuccessful.

Consultation Period

The consultation period will run from **Friday 20th December 2024 to Friday 31st January 2025** (minimum six weeks). During this time, we welcome feedback from the community and other stakeholders.

Who is Being Consulted?

The consultation is open to:

- Parents of current and prospective students.
- Staff and governors of Willow Bank Primary School.
- Other admission authorities in the area.



- The London Borough of Bexley.
- Local community members and organizations with an interest in education.

How to Participate

Feedback on the proposed Admission Arrangements can be submitted through the following channels:

- **Email:** wbpoffice@watschools.org.uk
- **Post:** Admissions, Willow Bank Primary School, Willow Bank Road, London, DA8 3PR
- **Online Form:** Complete the consultation form available here: [Willow Bank Consultation Feedback Form](#)

Next Steps

After the consultation closes, all responses will be reviewed, and a report summarizing the feedback will be submitted to the Woodland Academy Trust for consideration. The final Admission Arrangements for 2026-27 will be determined and published by **28 February 2025**, in line with statutory deadlines.

We value your input and encourage you to participate in shaping the future of Willow Bank Primary School's Admission Arrangements.



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