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Re: Sledmere Primary Consultation on change to the Published Admission Number (PAN) for September 2028

In accordance with the School Admission Regulations 2012, **Sledmere Primary School** wishes to hear your views on its proposed changes to the admission arrangements for September 2028.

Your opinions are important to us, and we are keen to receive your comments on our admission arrangements before they are formally approved.

The consultation will commence on Monday 9th November and end at 5pm on 21st December 2026.

Proposal

Sledmere Primary School, which is a member of Perry Hall Multi-Academy Trust (PHMAT), proposes that the Published Admission Number (PAN) be reduced from 90 to 60 from September 2028.

This means that the number of places available for children in Reception in September 2028 and all subsequent Reception cohorts will be 60. For children who already have a place in the school the year groups will not change. This is the only proposed change to the admission criteria; all other criteria will remain the same.

Rationale

The following factors have been considered by the school and PHMAT when deciding to consult on this proposal:

- Current numbers for Reception and projected numbers for future Reception intakes fall short of the 90 pupils. Bringing the PAN in line with the actual pupil admission numbers will ensure the maximum possible revenue will be received for each cohort and our resources are used more effectively across the school.
- The total number of pupils from Reception to Year 6 recorded in the October 2026 census was 507, which is below the current capacity of 630.
- Funding is largely related to the number of pupils on roll, and vacancies in classes result in a negative impact on the school budget. With a PAN of 60, all spaces in a class will be filled, and the school can operate more efficiently and cost-effectively, giving every single pupil the best possible education.
- Reducing the PAN will assist the school in providing stability in long-term planning and allow high-quality educational outcomes for pupils.

In accordance with the school admissions regulations, the school is consulting with key stakeholders including:

- Parents/carers of pupils and prospective parents;
- Other persons in the area who have an interest in the proposed arrangements;
- The local authority;
- Other local schools.

A full copy of the proposed admission arrangements is available on the school website: Admissions | Sledmere Primary School. Any comments should be sent to: info@perryhallmat.co.uk.

Yours sincerely,



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