



20th October 2020

REDUCTION OF PUBLISHED ADMISSION NUMBER

Dear Parents / Carers,

Parkside Community Primary School has been in a fortunate position to be able to offer places for 60 children in the local area since 2011 when it converted to a two form entry school. There have been years when we have been able to fill the majority of classes but we have never reached full capacity. In fact as far back as 2007 when the school was a one form entry school, there were a number of classes that still had spaces.

For the school to continue to be in a financially stable position and for the staff to continue to offer the children the best education, the governors have agreed to reduce the Published Admission Number from 60 down to 30. This means that Parkside Community Primary School will go from being a two form entry school to a one form entry school.

The governors and myself want Parkside Community Primary school to continue to be a part of the local community and to be a school of choice for the families it serves.

The process is quite straight forward and involves a lot of discussion and administration but the reduction in classes won't happen immediately. If the Office of the Schools Adjudicator agrees to the reduction, the changes could come into effect as soon as September 2021; the first year of one form intake. It would then take another six years for the school to become fully operational as a one form entry school.

Whilst it means another period of change for the school and its community, the long lasting effects of the changes will ensure that the school continues to be a presence in the local community, something it has been proud of for over fifty years.

If for any reason you would like to discuss this issue further I would be very willing to meet with you. Please make an appointment through the school office.

Yours sincerely,

C Soyka
Headteacher

