



Upper Beeding Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Due to falling pupil numbers across our locality, the school has entered a consultation with West Sussex County Council about reducing its pupil intake number from 45 pupils each year to 30 from September 2027.

If agreed, this will mean that in 2027 a maximum of 30 pupils will join our Reception class. As a result, over time, the school will move to one class per year group, rather than the three mixed age classes in each key stage we have at present.

As this figure only determines the number of pupils joining the school in Reception each year, children currently at our school are not affected by the reduced pupil intake number.

To have your say in the consultation, please use the following link, which goes live from morning of the 24th November.

<https://yourvoice.westsussex.gov.uk/admissions-2027-2028>

If any of the information for this consultation is required in an alternative format, this can be requested by calling 0330 222 8543 or via email at

schoolconsultations@westsussex.gov.uk For any stakeholders who are deaf or hard of hearing and have an NGT texting app installed on their computer, laptop or smartphone, they can contact West Sussex on 18001 0330 2228543.

The consultation closes on the 16th January and following analysis of the comments received, the outcome will be determined by Claire Hayes, Assistant Director of Education and Skills, Children, Young People and Learning.

Regards

Matt Andrews

Head Teacher.

