



Consultation on proposed Admission Arrangements for Earley St Peter's CE Primary School for entry into Reception from September 2027

Introduction

Earley St Peter's CE Primary School is an academy school. The Keys Academy Trust is the admission authority for the school. When an admission authority wishes to make changes to their admission arrangements, they must consult to ensure all views are heard. We are proposing to amend the admission arrangements for Earley St Peter's CE Primary School. The Keys Academy Trust is consulting on changes to the admission arrangements for Earley St Peter's CE Primary School, as follows:

Proposed changes to oversubscription criteria

Removing the Medical/Social needs criteria

Proposed reduction of the published admission number

Reducing the published admission number (PAN) of places from 60 to 45.

Why are we proposing these changes?

- Local Admissions Authorities are consulting on removing the medical/social needs criteria due to low usage and complexity. Children with significant needs will continue to be supported through other established routes, such as EHCPs.
- There is a significant over-supply of primary school places in Wokingham, which follows a national decline in the birth rate in the last decade, and an even steeper decline in the birth rate locally. The school has seen a drop in the number of applications for school places in recent years due to these demographic changes. School funding is received on a per pupil basis. By reducing the published admission number, the school will be able to organise in a more structurally viable way which will in turn, directly support the quality of education at the school.

Copies of the proposed arrangements can be obtained from the Earley St Peter's CE Primary School website:

https://www.earley-st-peters.wokingham.sch.uk/information/admissions/

How can you respond?

We would like to hear your views on these proposals. Please send any comments regarding the above proposed changes by emailing to: admissions@earley-st-peters.wokingham.sch.uk

Please mark your email: Earley St Peter's CE Primary School Consultation. The consultation takes place between **2nd December**, **2025 and 13**th **January**, **2026.**





What happens next?

After the consultation closes the responses will be collated and presented to The Keys Academy Trust who will decide whether or not to proceed with the proposed changes and determine the admission arrangements. The outcome will be published on the school's website by $15^{\rm th}$ March 2025.