

Beck Row Primary Academy Admissions

Consultation to reduce Beck Row Primary Academy's Published Admission number from September 2025

Introduction

Academy Transformation Trust is consulting on a reduction in the published admission number (PAN) at Beck Row Primary Academy from 60 to 45 effective from 1st September 2025.

The current PAN for Beck Row Primary Academy of 60 was agreed when it met demand for places that year. However, the academy does not have the classrooms to accommodate two classes in each year group, and therefore a permanent PAN of 60 is not sustainable going forward without significant extension of its facilities. The reduction of PAN to 45 can be served by three classes over two year groups, with one of those being mixed age. This will reduce the number of KS1 & KS2 classrooms needed from twelve to nine, which the academy can accommodate.

The proposed change will enhance the ability of our Trust Board and Education Directorate to carry out impactful school improvement and continue the academy's journey to a good Ofsted rating. The change will assist the Trust Board in supporting resource management and planning to ensure both the academy and its learning environment remain both viable and suitable for the delivery of a high standard of education.

No pupil who already has a place at the academy will be affected by this proposal.

Specific Proposal

Academy Transformation Trust's Board and Beck Row Primary Academy are proposing to reduce the published admission number from 60 to 45 effective from September 1st, 2025. This means the number of places available for pupils in Reception will be 45 in 2025 and will remain at 45 for all subsequent Reception cohorts going forward.

Academy Transformation Trust's Board and Beck Row Primary Academy have considered a number of key factors in deciding to hold a consultation in regard to the proposal:

- The ability of the academy to support pupil place planning and proved sufficient places for local pupils.
- The ability of the learning environment to support the highest standard of school improvement and delivery of education.
- Management and resource planning and its sufficiency in supporting the required pupil cohorts.
- Capacity within the academy will increase, providing a more effective education to the pupils on

Academy Transformation Trust is committed to supporting pupil place planning within each local authority in which we operate and would consider reviewing the published admission number in future should the need in area require this support.

Consultation period

The consultation period is running for six working weeks from Friday 24th November 2023, until Friday 19th January 2024.

Sir Nick Weller

CEO, Academy Transformation Trust

Who is being consulted

The consultation of this proposal is for the attention of the following:

- Local parents with children at the school or under school age
- Residents/people in the area with an interest in the proposal
- All other relevant admission authorities within the local area
- The local authority
- Neighbouring local authorities.

How to respond

Academy transformation Trust and Beck Row Primary Academy welcome your views on this proposal, and you can engage in the following ways:

Email: consultations@attrust.org.uk with the subject header Beck Row PAN

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