

Dear parents, guardians and other interested parties,

On behalf of the Academy Trust at Penketh High School, I am writing to inform you that we will be consulting on admission arrangements for Year 7 entry to the school for the academic year 2021/22.

Our outstanding young people are at the heart of all of the decisions we make, as we strive to develop pupils both academically and holistically ensuring that they have the best possible opportunities for future success when they leave school. We are passionate about our school community and the strong relationships between both our families and the pupils themselves. These relationships are key to developing a supportive and inclusive community built on two key principles of respect and high expectation.

Those of you familiar with the school will know we have secured consecutive years of significant improvement, resulting in the school's best ever outcomes in 2019, meaning that pupils leave Penketh with a strong foundation for future success. Central to supporting pupils to make this progress are the relationships across the school, really knowing our pupils helps us provide them with better and more personalised support so that they make the most of the opportunities at school to maximise their potential.

This aspect of school life is important to us and so we feel it is the right decision to reduce our Published Admission Number from 2021/22 onwards. Whilst some may feel this adds a degree of exclusivity to our school as we accommodate a smaller cohort than in previous years; we feel this is in the best interests of our school community and will provide our pupils with an even better school experience – which is our priority.

The proposal is to maintain existing arrangements with the exception of a change to the Published Admission Number (PAN). The PAN is currently 240 across all year groups at the school and the intention is to reduce this PAN to 180 for Year 7 entry for then academic year 2021/2022 and all subsequent years.

All comments received between Monday 16th of December 2019 and Monday 27th of January 2020 will be considered by the Academy Trust before final arrangements are determined.

Please send all comments to the following address:

Chair of Academy Trust c/o Penketh High School Heath Road Penketh Warrington WA5 2BY

Or by emailing: pan@penkethhigh.org

The school's proposed admission arrangements are available to view/download online. For more information, please visit the School's website at www.penkethhigh.org.

Yours sincerely,

Mr J Carlin. Principal.

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