

Pupil Admission Numbers Consultation at The Heights Primary School

The Heights Primary is a popular, inclusive and high performing school serving the local community of North West Caversham.

We are very proud of the high quality provision we offer local families. Our experienced and deeply committed staff and our broad curriculum offer results in 4 in 5 pupils achieving their combined SATs outcomes in Reading, Writing and Maths at the end of Year 6. Children feel safe and happy and leave us with the necessary education and life skills they need to thrive in secondary school and beyond.

We moved into our modern, spacious, purpose built building in 2021, after seven years in temporary accommodation. The school has been built to accommodate 420 pupils although we currently have 350 pupils on roll.

We are very well regarded by our parents and are very popular with parents seeking to gain a place for their child at the age of 4 years old. We also have waiting lists across the school.

The school has therefore submitted a planning application to increase the number of children we can offer places to in each year group from 50 to 60, to meet local demand. Our proposal is to expand our provision to the building's capacity of 420 pupils. This means 70 more pupils could attend the school. We are able to achieve this with no modification or further building works, as the school has been designed and built to cater for this higher pupil number. The catchment area will not change and the increase in pupils' numbers would be managed on an incremental basis, over a number of academic years.

Our traffic management plans have been scrupulously laid out and adhered to. We are committed to and passionate about promoting sustainable travel to school, with over 80% of parents and pupils travelling to school in a sustainable way compared to 46% nationally. In recognition of these efforts and our sustainable travel arrangements we were awarded the Gold Star Award accreditation [by Modeshift Stars](#).

The Heights is proud to be an integral part of the local community providing the highest quality, holistic education to as many local children as possible. We are enjoying building relationships with neighbours and users of Mapledurham Playing Fields and look forward to continuing to work closely with everyone for the benefit of all.

You can view the details of our application and respond with your support on the Reading Borough Council Planning Portal.