

Derbyshire County Council

Fairmeadows Foundation Primary & Pre-School

Consultation on a Proposal by the Governing Body for the Extension of the Age Range of the School from 5-11 years to 2-11 years

Context

We are a one form entry primary school with a PAN (pupil admission number) of 30 pupils in each year group. We also have a Governor led Nursery class every day (15 or 30 hours per week) and can take a maximum of 26 children.

Proposal

We are proposing to extend our Nursery provision from September 2025 to include 2-year olds.

We propose to enrol 20 children from the start of the term after they become 2 years old. In line with our 3- & 4-year olds Nursery, we will have three entry points one in September, January and April (or after the Easter holiday).

Staff

There will be no redundancies or reductions in staffing as a result of this change. We have consulted with Derbyshire HR who have confirmed that no TUPE (Transfer of Undertakings -Protection of Employment- Regulations 2006) arrangements will be required.

Funding

We have consulted with School Support Finance who have modelled the anticipated funding and built it into our budget monitoring spreadsheet. They recognise that this is a more sustainable financial model for us.

Consultation

The consultation on this proposal will be for four weeks from Monday 3rd March 2025 to Monday 31st March 2025.

A meeting will be arranged with all interested parties to explain the proposal and respond to questions. This will take place on 25th March at 3pm at Fairmeadows Foundation Primary School. Please contact Nicola Baker on nicola.baker@fairmeadows.derbyshire.sch.uk by Friday 15th March 2025 if you would like to attend.

This consultation document will be available on request from the Clerk to the Governing Body at the address and e-mail address below, and is available on the school's website. Any comments, observations or objections should be sent to –

Nicola Baker
Clerk to the Governors

Fairmeadows Foundation Primary School
Fairfield Crescent
Newhall
Swadlincote
Derbyshire
DE11 0TB
Or by e-mail to Nicola.baker@fairmeadows.derbyshire.sch.uk

The deadline for receiving responses to this consultation is Monday 31st March 2025 at 3.00pm.