

# Meadowdale Academy



## CONSULTATION ON:

1. PROPOSED 'VARIATION' TO ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS FOR 2019-2020
2. PROPOSED CHANGES TO ADMISSIONS 2020-2021

### Introduction

Meadowdale Academy is consulting on a 'variation' to admissions proposal alongside consultation for age range change. Currently, it is a middle school serving Years 5 to 8, ages 9 to 13, proposing to become a primary, offering nursery provision through to Yr6 over time in stages. This will mean that current admission arrangements will need to be revised and the Governing Body of Meadowdale Academy, the Admissions Authority for the school, is therefore consulting on a proposed 'variation' admission arrangements for 2019, and a 'change' in admissions for 2021 as set out on the following pages, in line with the Admissions Code of Practice.

***NB According to the Admissions Code of Practice consultation on the admissions arrangements for September 2019, when the school proposes to start admitting pupils in nursery and reception, Sept 2019.***

In considering the proposed arrangements, the school has looked carefully at where its students come from and the schools previously attended. This was done to ensure that, as far as possible, the proposed arrangements reflect the choices that parents are making. The school is not proposing any extension to its existing accommodation; the proposed Planned Admission Number takes account of this

From September 2019 all students at the school will be able to continue their education at Meadowdale Academy until the end of Year 8; applications to continue into Year 7 or Year 8 will not be required.

The Governing Body of Meadowdale Academy will consider all responses regarding the proposed admission arrangements before determining the final arrangements for 2019. If the school proceeds with the change in age range, and the decision of the Secretary of State for Education is outstanding, when the Governing Body determines the admission arrangements, those arrangements will be conditional upon the Secretary of State approving the change in age range.

The changes to admissions will be staged to take account of the partnership landscape and our duty of care to the current students and those joining the school as Year 5's in September 2019 during the process of change.

### STAGE ONE Sept 2019 to July 2020:

- As normal applications to enter Yr5 will be open as a point of entry for the remaining first schools in the Bedlington Partnership and beyond. If at any time first schools make an application to change their age range to primary, which is likely, the admission point will be reviewed
- Intake of September 2019 will be able to complete their learning journey through to Year 8 with us
- Applications will be open for admission to Nursery limited to 26 places and Reception, limited to 45 places as a two form entry primary
- Yr6 pupils do not need to apply to stay, they are guaranteed a place to complete their journey through KS3 with us

- Current Yr7 pupils will also continue through to Yr8 and do not need to apply to stay, they are guaranteed a place to complete their four years with us

**STAGE TWO 2020-2021:**

- Yr5 will be open as a point of entry for the remaining first schools in the Bedlington Partnership while the first schools remain
- The 2019 cohort will continue their learning journey and will not need to apply to stay, they are guaranteed a place through to key stage three
- Applications would be open for Nursery, Reception and Year 1 and Year 5, Year 6, Year 7 and Year 8

**STAGE THREE Sept 2021 to July 2022:**

- Yr5 will be open as a point of entry for any remaining first schools in the Bedlington Partnership
- The 2019 cohort will continue their learning journey and will not need to apply to stay, they are guaranteed a place through to key stage three
- Applications would be open for Nursery, Reception and Year 1, Year 2, Year 5, Year 6, Year 7 and Year 8

**STAGE FOUR Sept 2022 to July 2023:**

- Yr5 will be open as a point of entry for any remaining first schools in the Bedlington Partnership
- The 2019 cohort will continue their learning journey and will not need to apply to stay, they are guaranteed a place through to key stage three
- Applications for admission would be open for Nursery, Reception and Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 5 and Year 6

**STAGE FIVE Sept 2023-2024: Full Primary Model for admissions**

- Yr5 will be open as a point of entry for any remaining first schools in the Bedlington Partnership
- Applications would be open for Nursery, Reception and Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4, Year 5, Year 6

If the proposed changes go ahead numbers attending the academy will be as follows:

Date	nursery	reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8
current							128	128	75	80
2019-2020	26	45					120	128	60	75
2020-2021	26	45	45				60	120	60	60
2021-2022	26	45	45	45			45	45	60	60
2022-2023	26	45	45	45	45		45	45		60
2023-2024	26	45	45	45	45	45	45	45		