

Consultation on Kestrel Mead Primary Academy Admissions Policy for 2027-28 and beyond

Consultation timeline

4 December 2025	Start consultation
23 January 2026	Finish consultation

Proposed changes

The Mead Educational Trust (TMET) is proposing to reduce the published admission number (PAN) for Kestrel Mead Primary Academy from 120 to 90 starting with entry to Reception for the 2027-28 academic year.

Over the last few years, the number of children in Reception at the school has fallen. This is a city-wide issue resulting from the drop in the number of children starting school. Birth data in the school's catchment area indicate that applications might rise next year but from 2027-28 (when this PAN adjustment would take effect) the numbers decline.

By reducing the planned number of places, we have more certainty in our planning for staffing, resources and accommodation so we can maintain the high-quality provision we pride ourselves on at Kestrel Mead.

There will be no changes to the number of places available for entry to Reception in 2026.

The current Admissions Policy can be found here [Policies – Kestrel Mead Primary Academy](#)

Consultation responses

The consultation period runs from 4 December 2025 to 23 January 2025 and allows anyone with an interest (for example parents, other schools and the local community) to comment about the proposed admission arrangements. You can comment by:

- Writing to: Cathy Brown, The Mead Educational Trust, The Mead Centre, 343 Gipsy Lane, Leicester LE4 9DD

OR

- Emailing: admissions@tmet.uk

Please indicate that you are commenting on the Kestrel Mead Primary Academy policy as we are consulting on policies for a number of schools at the same time.