Thursday, 12th December 2024

To whom it may concern,

**RE: Admissions Consultation 2024 – Plympton Academy (Reduction in PAN) Consultation on a proposal to reduce the published admission numbers (PAN) 210 to 120 from September 2025.**

The Thinking Schools Trust, as the Multi Academy Trust is consulting and seeking comments on a proposal to reduce the Published Admission Number (PAN) at Plympton Academy from 210 to 120 from September 2025 and for all subsequent cohorts.

We are intending to reduce the PAN for current Year 7 students to 150 and Years 8 – 10 to 190. Year 11 will remain the same.  The proposed Admissions Arrangements 2024 can be found below.

Background

The school currently has five Year 7 tutor groups, any increase in numbers cannot be accommodated by the school and will result in class sizes higher than 30 students (at time of writing we are at 157 students in year 7).

To support the need for the school to be in a position to plan for staffing for future years and recognising the pupil numbers forecasted across the authority, the school is consulting on a further reduction in PAN to 120.

The Consultation Process

This consultation will run until midday on Friday, 10th January 2025 and we are inviting stakeholders and members of the local community to respond.

These are namely, but not limited to:

1. Parents and Carers Plympton Academy

2. Members of Plympton Academy School Staff

3. Members of the Local Governance Partnership Board of Plympton Academy

4. Plymouth County Council

5. Local primary and secondary schools

6. Members of the local community

How to Respond

You are invited to submit comments about the proposals above in a number of ways:

1. By completing this short online survey: <https://forms.office.com/e/VHp6M6jpiG>

2. By completing the form and; emailing to [headteacher@plymptonacademy.org.uk](mailto:headteacher@plymptonacademy.org.uk)

3. Posting to: Plympton Academy, Moorland Road, Plympton. PL7 2RS.

Any comments must be sent no later than midday on Friday 10th January 2025.

Yours sincerely,



Stuart Gardner

Chief Executive Officer

Thinking Schools Academy Trust

**Plympton Academy Admissions Consultation**

**Survey 2025**

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| **Name:** | |
| **Do you have an objection to Plympton Academy reducing its PAN for current Yr 7 students (and all future year groups) to 120?** | |
| **YES** | **NO** |
| **If you answered YES, please explain why below:** | |
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