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The SWAN Trust Admissions Policy Consultation for 2027-28

The SWAN Trust, as the admission authority for all schools within the Multi Academy Trust (MAT), are conducting a full consultation on the determined admission arrangements, including proposed changes, for all of the schools within the Trust for September 2027.

The Schools are:

- Barnsbury Primary School and Nursery, Woking, Surrey
- Beaufort Primary School, Woking, Surrey
- Goldsworth Primary School, Woking Surrey
- The Hermitage Infant School, Woking, Surrey previously The Oaktree School, Woking, Surrey
- The Hermitage Junior School, Woking, Surrey previously The Hermitage School, Woking, Surrey
- The Horsell Village School, Woking, Surrey
- Kingfield Primary School, Woking, Surrey
- Knaphill Lower School, Woking Surrey
- The Knaphill School, Woking, Surrey
- St John's Primary School, Woking, Surrey

Full details of the consultation and the changes being proposed are attached. Comments are invited on any aspect of the proposed Admissions Policy for the ten schools.

In particular, the proposed changes from the 2027/8 policies are as follows:

The Hermitage Junior School wishes to reduce its PAN from 90 to 60. The Hermitage School educates children aged 7 – 11 years. For entry into Year 3 during the 2027/28 academic year, The Hermitage Junior School is consulting to reduce our Year 3 PAN to 60. Our rationale is Surrey County Council's most recent projections suggest an over-supply of Year 3 places in the Hermitage area of over 35 in 2026, over 65 in 2027 and over 67 by 2028. In addition, we are also aware that other schools in this area have not managed to fill all their school places. This leads us to conclude that we are unlikely to be in a position where we will reach PAN in the foreseeable future. Therefore, the most cost-effective option for the school at this stage, ensuring the money we receive is spent on the children in the school, is to reduce our PAN to 60 and run two classes rather than three. This change would then put us in line with The Hermitage Infant School to ensure all the children at The Hermitage Infant School would be offered a place at The Hermitage Junior School. The Trust will continue reviewing the PAN, and discussing the possibility of bulge classes, if necessary, with Surrey County Council.



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Consultation responses should be made in writing no later than 12 noon on Monday 26th January 2026. Anyone wishing to submit their views can email The SWAN Trust at admin@swantrust.co.uk or in writing to Elaine Cooper, CEO, The SWAN Trust, c/o Beaufort Primary School, Kirkland Avenue, Woking, Surrey, GU21 3RG.

After the closing date, responses will then be considered by The SWAN Trust Board of Trustees and the admissions arrangements determined by no later than 28th January 2026. Once the Board has considered all the responses the determined admission arrangements will be placed on The SWAN Trust's website at www.swantrust.co.uk.

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