

2 December 2022

Dear Parents, Carers, Students, Community Members, and all other Stakeholders,

Thank you to everyone who took the time to be part of our consultation on the increase in Pupil Admission Number (PAN) and physical expansion of the school site at the request of the Local Authority to meet the places required for pupils in future years beginning in September 2023.

81% of the feedback was positive and strongly in support of the proposal to increase the PAN, starting with Year 7 in September 2023 and extend the school site. I would like to respond to the comments received:

Staff numbers will increase inline with the increased student numbers, it wouldn't be a case of solely increasing class sizes. It is of high importance to us to maintain the level of SEND support and care provided. This increase would not be at the detriment of any student. The school will not accept more students into higher year groups above their current PAN.

We have recently issued a letter to all parents regarding how they can contact the academy and requesting that parents/carers ensure all contact details are up to date to enable us to contact them when required.

There will be opportunities for students and staff to be involved in some aspects of the process of the expansion and the plans will be shared regularly.

If you have any questions, comments or other feedback, please contact us on enquiries@bishopsgarth.outwood.com

Yours faithfully,

Mr Jason Rhodes
Head of School