

Consultation on proposal to lower the Published Admission Number (PAN) of St Hilary School

Leading Edge Academies Partnership, in conjunction with the senior leadership of St Hilary School, is consulting on a proposal to reduce the Published Admission Number (PAN) of St Hilary School from 35 to 30 from September 2027.

The Published Admission Number (PAN) is the number of pupils a school admits at its normal admissions point, which for St Hilary School is Reception. The current PAN for admissions to Reception is 35. The proposal is to reduce this to 30 from September 2027.

The proposed reduction is in response to falling numbers of pupils in the school's designated area and would enable the school to effectively organise its Reception and Key Stage 1 classes to meet infant class size regulations and provide the highest quality provision for the youngest pupils.

Where schools are oversubscribed, it is still possible to admit pupils above PAN. Should the proposal to reduce the PAN go ahead, St Hilary School may still admit above PAN to meet local demand for places where this will have no adverse impact on infant class sizes and the provision of high-quality education.

Other than the reduction in PAN there are no other proposed changes to the school's admission arrangements and the oversubscription criteria will remain the same.

A consultation on the proposal will run from **Monday 8th December 2025** until **Monday 19th January 2026**.

A copy of this consultation letter, alongside a copy of the proposed new admission arrangements, is available on the St Hilary School website at www.st-hilary.cornwall.sch.uk. If you would like to make a comment on the proposal you can:

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All comments must be received by **Monday 12th January 2026**.

Leading Edge Academies Partnership will make a decision on the proposal by 28th February 2026 and the final admission arrangements will be published on the school's website by 15th March 2026.