



Consultation to increase age range of Shawley Community Primary Academy and West Ashted Primary Academy

The Proposal

Shawley Community Primary Academy and West Ashted Primary Academy, with the support of LEO Academy Trust, are proposing to change the age range of their academies from 4-11 years to 2-11 years.

Why are we making these changes?

At LEO Academy Trust we recognise and value the importance of strong partnerships with parents in guiding and supporting the beginning of their child's educational journey. We understand the challenges that working families face and acknowledge the importance of a comprehensive and cohesive educational pathway from early years through to primary school for all families.

With this in mind and aligned to the Government announcement to extend the early years funded entitlement to families of all 2-year-olds from April 2024, we propose to extend our age range from 4-11 to 2-11. By doing this we believe we will maximise the educational benefits and wider opportunities available to our pupils and further support the families from the local community.

Details of the proposal

The academies mentioned above propose to introduce a nursery provision for both three and four year olds, and two year olds which will mean lowering its age range to be from the age of two years, offering families the option of a continued education for their children from 2-11 years.

How will this proposal be implemented?

To amend the age range of the academies mentioned above, the academies and LEO Academy Trust (the multi-academy trust) must now consult with all stakeholders.

Who are we consulting with?

We wish to seek the views of everyone associated with the school and the wider local community:

- Parents and carers of Shawley Community Primary Academy or West Ashted Primary Academy
- Other local primary schools and their parental community
- Other local nurseries and their parental community
- Staff employed at Shawley Community Primary Academy or West Ashted Primary Academy
- The Local Authority

Consultation length

The consultation will run for a period of four weeks, starting on 19th February 2024 and ending on March 18th 2024.

Give us your feedback

You can give us your feedback electronically using [this](#) link.

Alternatively, there is a consultation response form below on **page 3** for **Shawley Community Primary Academy** and **page 4** for **West Ashstead**. Please complete these by hand and return by 5pm on **Monday 18th March to:** Consultation Responses, LEO Academy Trust, Malden Road, Cheam, SM3 8EP

Next Steps

LEO Academy Trust will review the responses and report the findings to the Trust Board.

Any application to amend the age range of the school will need to be submitted to the Regional Director who will decide, on behalf of the Secretary of State, whether the change to age range is approved.

Consultation Responses Proposal to lower to age range for The Shawley Community Primary School

	Agree	Disagree	Don't know
	(Please tick ✓ as appropriate)		
Do you agree with the proposal to lower the age range of The Shawley Community Primary School from 4-11 years to 2-11 years?			

Questions or comments:

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Please tick the statement(s) below which best describes you:

Parent of child at The Shawley Community Primary School	
Parent of a future nursery age child	
Member of staff at The Shawley Community Primary School	
Representative of another local primary school	
Representative of another local nursery	
Parents of child at another local school or nursery	
Member of the local community	
Representative of the Local Authority	

Please return this form by Monday 18th March either by email to:

nurseryconsultation@leoacademytrust.co.uk or by post/in person to Consultation Responses, LEO Academy Trust, Malden Road, Cheam, SM3 8EP

Consultation Responses to the Proposal to lower to age range for West Ashtead Primary Academy

	Agree	Disagree	Don't know
	(Please tick ✓ as appropriate)		
Do you agree with the proposal to lower the age range of The West Ashtead Primary Academy from 4-11 years to 2-11 years?			

Questions or comments:

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Please tick the statement(s) below which best describes you:

Parent of child at West Ashtead Primary School	
Parent of a future nursery age child	
Member of staff at The West Ashtead Primary School	
Representative of another local primary school	
Representative of another local nursery	
Parents of child at another local school or nursery	
Member of the local community	
Representative of the Local Authority	

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