



Greenway Primary & Nursery School



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Dear Parents

Following primary allocation day last week, we wanted to update you about our Reception intake at Greenway in September 2015.

As you are already aware local Heads and Chairs of Governors meet regularly with the Schools Planning team from the Local Authority so that we are kept informed of the demand for schools places locally. We are pleased to have been advised that for the academic year 2015-2016, all local children seeking a Reception place have been allocated a local school in Berkhamsted.

However, there has remained a specific issue at Greenway Primary School relating to the number of siblings (of pupils already at the school), applying for a Reception place for September 2015. Following careful consideration of the specific circumstances relating to this situation, the Local Authority has reached an agreement with the Governing Body to provide 6 additional Reception places at the school, in order that siblings of children who are already at the school can be offered a Reception place for September 2015.

These places have been offered over the Pupils Admission Number (PAN) of the school (30 children) on the allocation day. The school's substantive PAN will remain at 30. This local agreement will not set a precedent for future years at Greenway or at other schools.

This decision has not been taken lightly and has been made taking into account the principles of the re-organisation of education provision within the town, the specific circumstances to Greenway ie the sibling issue; accommodation at the school; and the capacity of the school.

All local schools will continue to work closely with Schools Planning to support future schools allocations.

Regards,

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Headteacher

Elizabeth O'Reilly
Chair of Governors

