



23 October 2012

Dear Parents.

Re Berkhamsted Schools Re-organisation

As you will recall, an application has been made to the Office of the Schools Adjudicator to vary the published admissions numbers for the school for September 2013. A number of you have raised concerns directly with the Adjudicator who will consider these when reaching her decision.

We enclose a letter dated 23 October from the Office of the Schools Adjudicator inviting you to a public meeting to be held at the school on Thursday 8 November at 7.00pm. You will see that the purpose of the meeting has been clearly set out within the letter namely that it is for the Adjudicator to hear the views of those present which will assist her when she makes her decision.

We enclose a copy of the Head and Governing Body's response to the Schools Adjudicator dated 19 October which clearly sets out their position.

We refer to our letter dated 17 September and confirm that the Parent Forum met on 2 October and have subsequently undertaken a survey of all classes within the school in an attempt to establish the likely demand for Nursery and Reception places at Greenway over the forthcoming years. We are very grateful for their efforts in gaining this information.

We enclose a copy of the survey prepared with the information gleaned by Parent Forum representatives. We would stress that the figures referred to should be treated **with caution** not least that there are currently 22 (not 30) Nursery children whose parents have accepted places for them for January 2013. There are two queries which remain unresolved and the school anticipates that one or two children may leave Nursery as they are moving away from the area which will thus free up an additional space(s) in Reception for next year.

On the current information available, there are 35 children seeking a place in Nursery for September 2013 and 38 pupils seeking a place in Reception for September 2013.

We have not surveyed the January intake Nursery parents but will do so when they attend at the school Nursery open evening on 15 November.

Regards

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Lorna Ginn & Elizabeth O'Reilly
Co-Chairs of Governors



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