

Consultation on Proposed Change to Published Admission Number (PAN)

Monkseaton Middle School

Consultation Period: Wednesday 3rd December 2025 to Wednesday 28th January 2026

What are we consulting on?

We are proposing to **reduce the school's Published Admission Number (PAN) from 96 to 60 pupils**, effective from **1 September 2027**

Why are we proposing this change?

- The school has operated as a **two-form entry** since 2021, by agreement with Governors.
- Current PAN is 96; recent admissions have been significantly lower:
 - 2023–24: 51 pupils
 - 2024–25: 57 pupils
 - 2025–26: 52 pupils
- Applications for September 2026 are projected to remain below the current PAN.
- Staffing and resources are structured for two-form entry, and this change supports **financial sustainability** while maintaining quality education.
- Families will still be able to **express a preference for their preferred school**

Who will be affected?

We are consulting with all stakeholders who may be affected, including:

- Parents and carers
- School staff
- Local community
- Local authority
- Other local schools
- Community groups
- Local businesses
- All Admissions Authorities within North Tyneside, Diocesan Authorities and Neighbouring Local Authorities

How can you share your views?

We welcome feedback from all stakeholders. You can respond by:

- **Email:** PANConsultation@monkseatonmiddle.org
- **Post:** Monkseaton Middle School, Vernon Drive, Whitley Bay, NE25 8JN
- **Phone:** 0191 253 2335

Consultation period

This consultation will run for **8 weeks**, from **Wednesday 3rd December 2025 to Wednesday 28th January 2026**, in line with the statutory requirement of at least 6 weeks and within the consultation window (1 October – 31 January).

Next steps

- All responses will be considered by the Governing Body.
- Final admission arrangements will be **determined and published by 28 February 2026**, as required by the School Admissions Code.
- Updates will be posted on our website: www.monkseatonmiddle.org