



OLD BUCKENHAM  
HIGH SCHOOL

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12<sup>th</sup> December 2018

Dear Parents and Carers

Pupil Admission Number Consultation

The governing body and I met and agreed in principle to reduce the school's pupil admission number from 140 pupils per year to 115. Sapientia Education Trust are in support of this proposal for two main reasons. Firstly, the school's current buildings and infrastructure could not meet the needs of 700 pupils, which if full, is the total number of students that could attend. Secondly, the school has not reached this number in any year group in the past six years and is unlikely to do so with the numbers of students in our local community. As a result, it has been very difficult to plan efficiently in terms of staffing and curriculum when the pupil numbers fluctuate. With a lower PAN which reflects the needs of our local community, we are more likely to be full and therefore will be able to make more secure medium and long term plans.

Any change to pupil admission numbers requires a consultation of stakeholders. I would be very keen to hear your views on this matter. Please email me your views on [head@oldbuckenhamhigh.norfolk.sch.uk](mailto:head@oldbuckenhamhigh.norfolk.sch.uk) by 5<sup>th</sup> January 2019.

Yours sincerely

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