

## ADMISSION APPEAL FOR YEAR R IN SEPTEMBER 2026

| <b>BREACH – MAIN ROUND</b>  |                                  |
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| Name of School Appealing for:   |                                  |
| Published Admissions Number (PAA):<br><i>(if you have taken over PAA please confirm why i.e. instructed by the LA, EHCP, twins)</i> | Number of applications received: |

| <b>Places offered on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2026</b>                      |                  |
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| Nearness of children's home to school (distance)                         | XXX miles/metres |
| All other categories of oversubscription criteria offered (total number) |                  |
| Total number of pupils offered a place                                   |                  |

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| Distance of last child offered a place (miles) | XXX miles/metres |
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| <b>Infant Class Size Legislation Appeals</b>   |
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| <p>An Independent Appeal Panel must consider all the following matters when considering an appeal that would cause a breach of infant class size legislation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. whether the admission of an additional child/additional children would breach the infant class limit; and</li> <li>b. whether the admission arrangements (including the area's co-ordinated admission arrangements) complied with the mandatory requirements of the School Admissions Code and Part 3 of the School Admissions Code Part 3 of the SSFA Act 1998; and</li> <li>c. whether the admission arrangements were correctly and impartially applied in the case(s) in question; and</li> <li>d. whether the decision to refuse admission was one which a reasonable admission authority would have made in the circumstances of the case.</li> </ul> <p>The Independent Appeal Panel may uphold the appeal where:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. it finds that the admission of additional children would not breach the infant class size limit; or</li> <li>b. it finds that the admission arrangements did not comply with admissions law or had not been correctly and impartially applied and the child would have been offered a place if the arrangements had complied or had been correctly and impartially applied; or</li> <li>c. where it decides that the decision to refuse admission was not one which a reasonable admission authority would have made in the circumstances of the case.</li> </ul> <p>I can confirm that none of the above points apply and that to admit additional pupils will breach the infant class size legislation.</p> |

Class sizes are already at the legal ratio (30 in each class). Classrooms are built and resourced to cater for 30 pupils; additional numbers would have a detrimental effect to the efficient running of the classes. There is not enough space for additional bags, coats, wellies, resources etc that a Year R child requires. To allow effective teaching and individual attention for children, we cannot admit children in addition to the legal limit. Our PAN (60 children) ensures high quality teaching and learning, appropriate resources and staffing, space in the classrooms and outside area. Any additional children admitted would reduce the provision available to the children and be over the legal limit for EYFS. **Please be advised that each parent who lodges an appeal will have a personalised defence statement forwarded to them as part of their case papers.**