



HOLMBUSH PRIMARY ACADEMY
LITTLE LEARNERS PRE SCHOOL
FORMAL CONSULTATION

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University of Brighton
Academies Trust



Monday 11th May 2015

Following enquiries from families at the academy and an initial informal consultation we are now working with The University of Brighton Academies Trust to consult with you on our plans to open pre-school provision and education at Holmbush Primary Academy. Specifically, the proposal is to extend the age range of the Academy from 4 – 11 Years to 2 – 11 Years. The proposal has arisen as a result of an increased need for nursery provision in our locality, and in order to offer a high quality educational experience for nursery age children that prepares them well for the Reception Year in the Academy.

Little Learners Pre School would initially cater for children between three and four years old (a pre-school class for the academic year before they start school). Children could start at the beginning of the term in which they turn 3. E.g. February birthday can start in Jan at beginning of Spring Term.

As an Academy we are registered for Early Years provision with Ofsted. The Academy currently has a good Ofsted rating with outstanding Early Years provision.

Little Learners will initially have 16 places per session with a qualified teacher and Early Years Leader, an Early Years Practitioner and an Early Years Assistant all with at least two years experience of working and leading in Early Years settings.
Little Learners will be based in the room adjoining our Reception class with access to a large area for outside provision, toilets and a kitchen.

The structure of the day for Little Learners will reflect that of the school and potential fees are in line with other local providers and reflect the high quality staffing and environment.

<u>Little Learners Day</u>		<u>Potential Fees</u>
Breakfast Starter	8am-8.30am	£2-£4
Morning Session	8.30am-11.30am	£14-£17
Lunch (A packed lunch would need to be provided)	11.30am-12.30pm	£4-£6
Afternoon Session	12.30pm-3.30pm	£14-£17

The Academies Trust will use the same admissions criteria as is used for admission to the Academy and it will not be on basis of income.

We don't expect any significant increase in traffic as most attendees will be siblings, local or travelling on foot.

Your views

We would like the views of parents and carers, staff, and members of the community on our proposal that our school opens a Pre School in September 2015.

We invite you to have your say about whether the Academy should change its age range to accommodate a Pre School. You can share your views by completing the **online questionnaire** at www.holmbushprimaryacademy.org.uk/questionnaire .

The consultation ends on Friday 12th June 2015 so please ensure you respond by then.

Our governing body will consider the responses before making a final recommendation to the Trust's Board of Directors on whether it believes Holmbush Primary Academy should lower its age range to accommodate a Pre School on site. Final approval is at the discretion of the Secretary of State for Education.

If you would like us to keep you up to date on our progress or are interested in registering for places please give us the following details:

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone Number _____

Email _____

Please return this form by Friday 12th June to:

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