

Proposal to reduce the PAN at St Andrew's Church Junior School and Burnham-on-Sea Infants School for 2027-2028

We are proposing to reduce the PAN for two schools within The Priory Learning Trust from the academic year 2027-2028. This proposal is being made in response to a continued decline in student numbers.

St Andrew's Church Junior School - PAN to reduce from 82 to 60.

Burnham-on-Sea Infant School - PAN to reduce from 80 to 60.

This change would mean that each school admits up to two classes of 30 students per year-group.

Over recent years, both schools have seen a steady decline in the number of applications for places, in line with wider trends across the area. Maintaining a higher PAN is no longer sustainable or necessary to meet projected local demand.

Reducing the PAN will:

- Align admission numbers with actual student demand.
- Support more efficient use of school resources, including staffing and classroom space.
- Help ensure the long-term financial stability of both schools.
- Allow both schools to continue delivering high-quality education within a sustainable class structure.
- Have no impact on students currently on roll.