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**For the attention of Interested Parties**

**Re:**  
**Furley Park Primary Academy**  
**Application to the Department for Education for a reduction in PAN from 90 to 60 for the 2025/26 academic year**

As you will be aware, the admissions numbers for Year R in the area have been reducing over time and the Kent County Council forecasts show that this is likely to continue for the next few years at least.

Earlier in the year, the trust consulted on reducing the PAN for Furley Park from 90 to 60 with effect from 2026/27, which is now reflected in the admissions arrangements. However the Trustees have considered the 2025/26 admissions data and have decided that it would be sensible to adopt this a year earlier to avoid having uneconomic classes as there are many surplus spaces in the area at other schools and funding is limited.

I am therefore writing to you to notify you that the Trustees of ACE Learning, as the admissions authority for Furley Park Primary Academy, will be applying to the Department for Education with a request for a variation in the school published admissions numbers for September 2025 from 90 to 60 for that intake.

Should this be granted the trust will be able to set a balanced budget for the 2025/26 budget year with certainty that an additional class will not need to be opened should in year applications take numbers above 60.

If you have any comments please send them via email to the trust office [enquiries@ace-learning.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@ace-learning.org.uk) by 30 June 2025.

Regards

Janine Owen  
Chief Finance Officer on behalf of the Board of Trustees

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