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Class Sizes Policy

This policy is relevant to the whole school including EYFS.

St Peter & St Paul School believes that class size and teacher to pupil ratios are important factors in a child's education.

The school's aim is for average year group sizes to be up to 20 pupils with 4 discretionary places. We currently have a one class per year intake and therefore, for individual teaching groups, the group is 20 pupils with 4 discretionary places. After that point is reached a waiting list will be operated and families contacted on a first come first served basis.

If individual teaching groups in a year are expected to fall below 10 pupils, consideration will be given to merging groups for certain areas of the curriculum to ensure that good interaction between children is maintained. The decision whether to merge groups will take full account of the needs of all the children in the group as well as their age.

Within both the Pre-Prep and Prep classes, support staff are provided as a matter of course and allow flexibility within groups.

The school maintains flexibility with regard to teaching group size in order to ensure that the individual needs of the pupils can be best met and to ensure that the school can maximise its efficiency in terms of providing as great a number of opportunities as is possible for its pupils.