

3<sup>rd</sup> September, 2021

Thorntree Academy part of Extol Trust are inviting consultation responses on a formal proposal to extend the age range of the school from 3 – 11 years to 2 – 11 years, by creating a two-year-old provision as part of the existing Nursery.

The proposed changes would ensure the highest quality provision and learning environment for a cohort of two-year-olds, ensuring progression and smooth transition into our existing three year old nursery. Children would benefit from fully qualified staff working as part of our existing Early Years Foundation Stage.

The two-year-old facility would be open term time only (39 weeks per year) operating the same hours as the existing nursery provision, allowing children to attend for the full 15 funded hours. It is proposed that the facility caters for 8 children.

We would welcome the views of everyone associated with the Academy, including children, parents and other local nurseries and child minders.

**The consultation will run until 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2021.**

If you wish to comment, please do so by one of the following methods:

- Email the school administration team with the subject heading 'Consultation Response' before 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2021.  
Email: [thorntree@thorntreeacademy.org.uk](mailto:thorntree@thorntreeacademy.org.uk)
- Write to the Chair of Governors, Mrs Cat Barnett Head Teacher, c/o Thorntree Academy, The Greenway, Thorntree, Middlesbrough, TS3 9NH before 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2021
- Complete the reply form attached to this consultation letter and return it to the school office by 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2021

Yours sincerely



Wendy Nelson

Headteacher

**Two Year Old Provision Consultation Feedback Form**

	Agree	Disagree
We are happy with the change to Thorntree Academy's age range to include two year olds.		

Feedback, questions or comments

Please tick the statement that best describes you:

Parent / Carer of child at Thorntree Academy	
Local School	
Local Nursery	
Local Childminder	
Other (please state)	

Please leave your contact details below if you wish to receive a reply

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Thank you for your contribution