



John Blow Primary School

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Consultation to lower the age range for John Blow Primary School

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The Proposal

John Blow Primary School is proposing to change the age range of the school from 4 -11 years to 2 -11 years.

Why are we making these changes?

This proposal forms part of our strategy to develop and strengthen early years provision within our community. John Blow Primary School is working in partnership with Collingham and District Preschool to bring both providers together under the name of John Blow Primary School, creating a seamless Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) provision for local families.

The proposal will maximise the educational benefits of offering high-quality, funded early years provision and supports the Government's recent expansion of funded childcare entitlements for families. The change will enable John Blow Primary School to become a fully inclusive 2–11 community hub, providing continuity of education and care from the earliest years through to the end of primary education.

Details of the proposal

The school proposes to lower its age range to be able to accept children from the age of two years, offering families the option of a continued education for their children from 2-11 years. The current admissions arrangements will not be affected, and no pupils will be displaced by this proposal.

How will this proposal be implemented?

To amend the age range of John Blow Primary School following approval by John Blow Primary School governing body and Collingham and District Preschool Trustees on Thursday 7th May and we must now consult with all stakeholders. Collingham and District Preschool will be holding an EGM for their members to discuss and approve the transfer of activities in due course.

Who are we consulting with?

We wish to seek the views of everyone associated with the school and the wider local community:

- Parents and carers of John Blow Primary School
- Parents and carers of Collingham and District Preschool
- Other local primary schools and their parental community
- Other local nurseries, playgroups, childminders and their parental community
- Staff employed at John Blow Primary School
- Staff employed at Collingham and District Preschool



- The Local Authority

How long will the consultation last?

The consultation will run for a period of four 'term time' weeks, starting on Monday 11th May 2026 and ending on Friday 12th June 2026.

Have your say

There is a consultation response form overleaf. A paper copy of this form can be collected from the school office.

Please complete and return this form by Friday 12th June 2026.

You can do this in one of two ways:

- Complete electronically and return by email to office@collingham.notts.sch.uk
- Complete by hand and return to Consultation Responses, John Blow Primary School, Snowdon Road, Collingham, NG23 7PT

We believe this proposal represents an exciting opportunity for children and families in Collingham and the surrounding areas. By strengthening and expanding our EYFS provision through our partnership with Collingham and District Preschool, we aim to provide a high-quality, nurturing start to every child's educational journey within the John Blow Primary School community.

We look forward to embarking on this next chapter for John Blow Primary School and working together with families, staff, governors and the wider community to create the very best opportunities for our youngest learners.



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(Please tick ✓ as appropriate)

Agree	Disagree	Don't know

Do you agree with the proposal to lower the age range of John Blow Primary School from 4-11 years to 2-11 years?

Yes	No	Don't know

Questions or comments:



Please tick the statement(s) below which best describes you:

Parent of child at John Blow Primary School	
Parent of a child at Collingham and District Preschool	
Parent of a future nursery age child	
Member of staff at John Blow Primary School	
Member of staff at Collingham & District Preschool	
Representative of another local primary school	
Representative of another local nursery	
Parents of child at another local school or nursery	
Representative of another local childcare provider	
Member of the local community	
Representative of the Local Authority	

Consultation Process and Communication

This consultation forms part of the statutory process required for any school seeking to extend or change its age range. As part of the Local Authority procedures, John Blow Primary School is gathering the views of parents, carers, staff, governors, and the wider community before any decisions are made.

To ensure transparency, any anonymous questions, comments, or concerns submitted through the consultation process will be considered and, where appropriate, addressed within a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) section. Please note that, due to the volume and nature of responses received, individual replies to questions or comments cannot be guaranteed.

If respondents would like to receive direct communication regarding a specific query, they may choose to provide their name and email address when submitting feedback. Where appropriate and possible, the school may contact individuals directly for clarification or to provide further information.

This consultation is being led by John Blow Primary School in accordance with Local Authority procedures for proposed changes to school age ranges. Therefore, all correspondence, questions, and consultation responses relating to this process should be directed through the school office.

Optional additional information

Name:

Email address:

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