

NANSLEDAN SCHOOL

Commonly Asked Questions

How do I apply for a place?

Admissions for Nansledan School will be handled by the Local Authority. Applications for Reception Class open on Monday 3rd September at noon. You can apply online at <u>https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools-and-colleges/school-</u> <u>admissions/apply-to-start-school-or-transfer-to-junior-secondary-or-ks4-school-in-september-2019/</u>

My child is currently in another school. How can I apply for a transfer?

If you have a child already in primary school and, as a resident of Nansledan, you wish to transfer your child to Nansledan School for September 2019, you can apply up to eight school weeks ahead of the autumn term 2019 (i.e. late May 2019) by submitting an 'in-year' admission application via <u>www.cornwall.gov.uk/changingschools</u>. Applications may take up to 20 school days to be processed. In the meantime, it would be helpful to the Aspire Academy Trust Team, if you could 'register your interest' at <u>www.nansledanschool.org</u> so we can keep track on how many possible places are required for September 2019.

What age children will Nansledan School take?

As a primary school, Nansledan School will take children age 4-11 years, i.e. Reception Class entry up to Year 6.

Am I able to visit the school prior to opening in September 2019?

No. Unfortunately school visits will not be possible before opening as it is an active building site and Midas is governed by strict health & safety regulations.

How will the classes be organised for September 2019?

As it's a brand new school and we don't know how many, and of what age, the children applying will be, we are aiming to open up 4 classes for September 2019. There will be two Reception Classes (4/5 year olds) and x 1 mixed KS1 class (children who would be in the Y1 & Y2 age bracket) and x 1 mixed KS2 class (children who are in the Y3 to Y6 age bracket). As the years go by, with more children coming in, rising numbers will mean eventually each year group has its own class.

What happens if you have more children than classrooms available for opening?

Should we reach our maximum numbers at initial opening stage, then we would apply standard admissions procedures i.e. a sliding scale of children with additional needs, children in care and 'as the crow flies' distance door-to-door. This admissions procedure would then be in force, on a permanent basis, once the school has its full 60 pupils per academic year intake. *Will there be a pre-school at Nansledan School?*

It is our intention to have a pre-school on site, however we are currently unable to provide any further details. As soon as we do have more news to share, we'll update the website at <u>www.nansledanschool.org</u> and post on Facebook (@nansledanschool) and Twitter (@skolnansledan).

Will Nansledan School provide wraparound care?

Yes. From September 2019 the school will have extended opening hours from 8am until 5.15pm to include a Breakfast Club and Afterschool Club run by our support staff, but this will not be formal childcare at this early stage. There will be a charge for the Breakfast and Afterschool Club to cover costs, however you will not be able to use childcare vouchers. As the school fills, and the level of need rises, we will look to move towards providing a formal childcare service and extending the day to 6pm.

I am interested in working at Nansledan School. When will you start recruiting?

We will be advertising job opportunities at <u>www.aspireacademytrust.org/careers</u> from the late autumn term 2018 onwards, so please keep an eye on the Aspire website. We will also highlight job alerts on the Nansledan Facebook page (@nansledanschool) and Twitter account (@skolnansledan).

What happens if the build is delayed?

Building works are currently going well and to schedule. A partial handover to the Aspire Academy Trust is scheduled for June 2019 so there is a large window between then and the school opening to its first intake of pupils in the September. We will be providing regular updates on the build via our various media channels.

Will local community groups be able to use the school facilities?

Yes, in due course. Nansledan School will operate a lettings service, to the local community, for its hall/rooms and sporting facilities. Lettings will not be possible in the initial opening stage of the school but we will keep you informed via the school website at <u>www.nansledanschool.org</u> and the Facebook page (@nansledanschool).

What are your plans for managing the transition from my child's existing preschool to Reception Class at Nansledan School?

As our EYFS teachers will already be in place, it is our intention to organise visits to local nurseries and preschools and potentially organise a drop-in session(s) at nearby Aspire academies once our intake children are confirmed in April 2019.

Will there be parking available if I drive my child to school?

If you a resident of Nansledan the expectation is that children will be arriving at school on foot. This is in line with the Duchy of Cornwall and the school's environmental vision and ethos. However, we appreciate that some parents will be obliged to drive their child to school and there will be a drop-off area with limited parking available.

Will the school's sports facilities be ready for September 2019?

The completion of all areas is due in the autumn term. However, as always, we will keep you updated via all our media channels.

Will there be disruption to my child's education as building continues past September 2019?

No. There will be finishing works in some areas during September but these will not be disruptive to our classes.