



NANSLEDAN SCHOOL

Commonly Asked Questions

How do I apply for a place?

Admissions for Nansledan School will be handled by the Local Authority. If your child was born between 1 September 2014 and 31 August 2015, you will need to apply for a school place for September 2019. The application window is open until 15th January 2019 and is being co-ordinated by Cornwall Council via its online Admissions portal. You can apply online for a school place via School Admissions at <http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools-and-colleges/school-admissions/> PLEASE READ IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON THE SCHOOLS ADMISSIONS PAGE REGARDING NANSLEDAN SCHOOL APPLICATIONS. THERE IS A SEPARATE APPLICATION FORM FOR NANSLEDAN SCHOOL THAT MUST BE COMPLETED IN ADDITION TO SELECTING UP TO 3 EXISTING INFANT/PRIMARY SCHOOLS VIA THE ADMISSIONS PORTAL.

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

If you have a child(ren) already in full-time education, and you wish them to transfer to Nansledan School when it opens in September 2019, you can apply online via Schools Admissions at www.cornwall.gov.uk/changingschools for a change of school **up to EIGHT school weeks in advance of a school place being required** i.e. late May 2019 (twelve weeks for service families). Applications outside of these timescales will not be processed by the Schools Admissions Team and you will not be able to apply online.

Transfer applications will, as far as possible, be processed within twenty school days. However, at busy times of the year, in particular the summer term, your application may take longer to process. Parents/carers should consider this and submit an application as early as possible within the allotted timeframe i.e. up to eight school weeks in advance (twelve in the case of Service Families).

In the meantime, don't forget to REGISTER YOUR INTEREST so we can more accurately predict KS1/KS2 numbers ahead of opening.

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, informal school visits will not be possible before opening as it is an active building site and Midas is governed by strict health & safety regulations. However, in the summer term, we are hoping to offer supervised site visits by small groups of confirmed YR parents and those who are intending to send their KS1 or KS2 child to Nansledan. We will keep you posted with details nearer the time.

How will the classes be organised for September 2019?

As it's a 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, service families 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.

What will the SEN provision look like at Nansledan School?

At Nansledan School all children will be valued, respected and welcomed, whatever their additional educational need, as is our policy across the Aspire Academy Trust. Staff will support their learning and ensure they are fully included in all school activities, making full use of externally provided facilities where appropriate. Children with additional needs will be identified through a combination of observations of the children as individuals, within their classes, by experienced staff, tracking the outcomes of assessments and through discussions with parents. A Special Educational Needs & Disabilities Co-ordinator (SENDCo) will work with the class teachers and teaching assistants to create programmes of support that meet the needs of the child.

Will Nansledan School have 'gifted & talented' provision?

Nansledan School aims to ensure that children who display exceptional gifts and talents will be provided for. Children with exceptional gifts and talents will be identified by members of staff as well as their families. Teaching staff will ask for parental information about talents that may not have been picked up within school, such as sporting talent, artistic talent, cooking or other abilities. It is these skills that will make Nansledan School pupils individuals and we want to ensure that they have the opportunity to shine and also to further develop their skills. This process will enable the school to ensure that provision is in place to challenge and enrich the learning of this group of children.

What is the uniform and where can I purchase it?

The uniform for Nansledan School is not confirmed but will follow standard primary school uniform style and be readily attainable and affordable for parents. Confirmed Reception Class parents will be provided with ordering information as soon as it is available in the summer term. Uniform ordering information will also be uploaded on the school website page and social media platforms.

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 www.nansledanschool.org 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 for teachers from the spring term 2019 and support staff from approximately Easter 2019 onwards. Please keep an eye on the Aspire website at <http://www.aspireacademytrust.org/651/come-and-work-with-us>. We will also highlight job alerts

on the Nansledan website at www.nansledanschool.org, 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 www.nansledanschool.org 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. We are also looking to see if 'Meet the Head of School/Teacher' sessions can be held on site in the summer term, as part of an organised Aspire/Midas school tour. We will keep you posted via the school website and social media channels.

Which secondary school will my child transfer to?

Y6 pupils from Nansledan School will transfer to their nearest or designated secondary school, in line with Local Authority School Admissions policy.

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.

Are there plans for more footpaths between Quintrell Downs and the school?

Any works outside the immediate school grounds will be completed as part of The Duchy of Cornwall's Nansledan masterplan. We can only answer for work within the school boundary.