



Skol Nansledan

Nansledan School Newquay Admission Arrangements for 2019-20

Introductory statement

Nansledan School, Newquay is a centre of educational and personal excellence for pupils aged 3-11 years, playing a key role at the heart of the community it serves. With a unique vision providing an education for the future, Nansledan School focusses on developing strong foundational knowledge for pupils in five interrelated domains of STEAM literacy and Art: Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics with the addition of Creative Arts. Our STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Mathematics) Curriculum will provide experiences that will challenge, encourage and equip pupils for life, enhanced by a business and enterprise specialism. Nansledan will share in the vision and ethos of all the Aspire Academies and prepares pupils for a lifetime of learning and success by teaching them, in equal measures, both the academic skills and the personal strengths they need to excel on transition to secondary school and beyond.

Admission number(s)

The school has an admission number of 60 for entry in year reception, up to 30 for KS1 and up to 30 for KS2 in its first year of opening.

The school will accordingly admit this number of pupils if there are sufficient applications. Where fewer applicants than the published admission number(s) for the relevant year group are received, the Academy Trust will offer places at the school to all those who have applied.

Application process

The local authority will process applications outside the normal local authority process for co-ordinating school offers. This means you will need to complete your LA common application form for your other choices of school in addition to a separate application for this school.

Applications for this school should be sent to School Admissions Team, New County Hall, Truro, TR1 3AY.

The closing date for applications is 15/01/2019

Offers will be made on 16/04/2019. If we have not entered into a funding agreement with the Secretary of State opening the school by that date, they will be conditional offers and will be confirmed once we have a signed funding agreement.

The application form can be obtained from www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions



Oversubscription criteria

The criteria in this section apply to entry at all phases of the school.

When the school is oversubscribed, after the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care plan or a Statement of Special Educational Needs naming the school, priority for admission will be given to those children who meet the criteria set out below, in priority order:

1. Looked after children and children who were previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to adoption, a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order.
2. Siblings of children already attending the school. As this is the school's first year, this will only apply to in year applicants.
3. Children of Staff- Priority will be given to the children of staff who have been recruited to fill a skill-shortage area.
4. Other children.

Tie-break

'If in categories 2-4 above a tie-break is necessary to determine which child is admitted, the child living closest to the school will be given priority for admission. Distance is measured from the child's home to the front gates of the school in a straight line

Random allocation undertaken by the local authority will be used as a tie-break in categories 2-4 above to decide who has highest priority for admission if the distance between a child's home and the academy/free school is equidistant in any two or more cases.

Random allocation will not be applied to multiple birth siblings (twins and triplets etc.) from the same family tied for the final place. We will admit them all, as permitted by the infant class size rules and exceed our PAN.

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Late applications

All applications received by the school or the LA after the deadline will be considered to be late applications. The Local Authority and the Academy Trust may be willing to accept applications which are received after the closing date of 15 January 2019, but before the exceptional late closing date determined by the Local Authority (**06 February 2019**), if there is good reason for a late submission. For example:

a family returning from abroad;

a lone parent/carer who has been ill for some time;





a family moving into the vicinity of the Academy from another area; or
other exceptional circumstances.

Each case will be treated on its merits. Round two late applications for reception places (**i.e. those received between 16 January 2019 and the 06 February 2019, but not considered exceptional and all applications received between 07 February and 26 April 2019**) will not be dealt with until after the offer day for on-time applications (16 April 2019). These applications will be processed together, and parents will be notified of the outcome of their application by **28 May 2019**. Late (round three) applications received between 27 April and 31 August 2019 will be dealt with on a day to day basis, after the round two allocations have been processed.

Deferred entry for infants

Parents offered a place in reception for their child have a right to defer the date their child is admitted, or to take the place up part-time, until the child reaches compulsory school age. Places cannot be deferred beyond the beginning of the final term of the school year for which the offer was made.

Children reach compulsory school age on the prescribed day following their 5th birthday (or on their fifth birthday if it falls on a prescribed day). The prescribed days are 31 August, 31 December and 31 March.

Admission of children outside their normal age group

Parents may request that their child is admitted outside their normal age group. To do so parents should include a request with their application, specifying why admission out of normal year group is being requested.

When such a request is made, the academy trust will make a decision on the basis of the circumstances of the case and in the best interests of the child concerned, taking into account the views of the Head of School and any supporting evidence provided by the parent.

Waiting lists

Waiting lists will be maintained (by the Local Authority on behalf of Aspire Academy Trust) for the first term of the reception year **only** and will cease to be maintained after the 31 December 2019. As each child is added to the waiting list, the list will have to be ranked again in line with the published oversubscription criteria. Priority will not be given to children based on the date their application was received or the date their name was added to the list.

Looked after children, previously looked after children and those allocated a place at an academy in accordance with the Local Authority's Fair Access Protocol, will take precedence over those on the waiting list.





Appeals

All applicants refused a place have a right of appeal to an independent appeal panel constituted and operated in accordance with the School Admission Appeals Code.

Where a parent/carer has been refused a place for their child, they will have the right of appeal to an appeal panel. The appeal panel (arranged by the Local Authority on behalf of Aspire Academy Trust) will be independent of the academy and Aspire Academy Trust. The arrangements for appeals will be in line with the School Admission Appeals Code published by the Department for Education. The determination of the appeal panel will be made in accordance with the Code and is binding on all parties. Appeal forms are available during term time only and should be requested from and returned to the Secretary of the relevant Academy.

The deadline for parents to lodge appeals regarding round one (on time) applications for a 2019/20 reception place will be **15 May 2019**. These round one appeals will take place (mainly) during June 2019. Appeals for round two refusals will take place (mainly) during July 2019 and those for round three refusals will usually be heard during July or August 2019.

Appeals for 2019/20 in-year applications will take place as required.

Applicants can only appeal again for a place at the same academy for the same academic year if Aspire Academy Trust has accepted a further application because there has been a significant and material change in the circumstances of the parent/carer, child or academy (e.g. a relevant change of address) but has determined that the new application must also be refused.

Notwithstanding the arrangements outlined above, the Secretary of State may direct an academy to admit a named pupil on application from any Local Authority. Before doing so the Secretary of State will consult the academy in question.

Notes:

Home address

Each child may have one registered address only for the purposes of determining priority for admission and transport entitlement. This address should be the place where the child is normally resident at the point of application or evidence of the address from which a child will attend school, in the form of written confirmation of a house purchase or a formal tenancy agreement.

Exceptional circumstances in relation to the provision of a home address will be considered on a case-by-case basis. If there is shared residency of the child or a query is raised regarding the validity of an address, the home address will be considered to be with the parent with primary day to day care and control of the child. Residence of a child may also be clarified through a child arrangement order where it is shown who has care of the child. It may be necessary to use the address of the person receiving child benefit for the child or to request a





copy of a utility bill or to request evidence of the address at which the child is registered with a doctor's surgery in order to make a decision.

Parents should settle any disputes in relation to their child's home address prior to submitting one application to the Local Authority for each child. Aspire Academy Trust will not become involved in any parental disputes. If agreement cannot be obtained before an application is made then parents/carers may need to settle the matter through the courts. Where no agreement is reached or order obtained, Aspire Academy Trust will determine the home address.

