



NANSTALLON SCHOOL

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1 June 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Phased reopening of Nanstallon School to more children

I wrote to you on 22 May with news that our governing board had met to consider the plans and related risks of opening more widely as instructed by the DfE.

The governing board agreed that a gradual and phased return for more pupils groups would commence from Monday 8 June and provision for key worker/vulnerable children would continue from today (1 June).

The board and I wrote to the DfE via the local authority to seek permission for all year groups to return on a rota basis to enable all children to have some face-to-face teaching, reintegration to school and the chance to be with their school friends again.

The DfE told us: *the department's position is unchanged regarding the admission of further year groups to Years R, 1, and 6 at this time. This follows scientific advice and takes into account possibly increased risks of transmission related to taking more year groups.*

Therefore, the plan for a careful, gradual phased return would be a part time offer to those priority year groups as this is the only way that we can maintain full time provision for key worker/vulnerable children and allow further capacity to include all other year groups before the summer holidays as per the DfE's ambition.

As I said in my previous letter, do not compare our context with other schools. The Local Authority are clear that every school –within the guidance– can and should make an offer appropriate to its circumstances. I attach the risk assessment with this letter.

We will continue to provide provision for up to 15 children each day of key workers. These children can be dropped off at 8:30am in the school car park by the main entrance and collected at 3:15pm from the main playground or before 2pm (if preferable) from the main entrance.

Our class sizes will be a maximum of 15 children.

During the first week of this phased return we politely ask parents to provide their child with a packed lunch, morning snack and their own water bottle. Children in Year 6 should take their water bottle home each day to be cleaned. We have freshly sanitised bottles for Reception and Y1.

Please ensure your child wears weather appropriate clothing and footwear – *there is no requirement to wear school uniform*. No sandals please for health and safety reasons. Trainers are ideal for PE and Forest School activities. Please remember to apply sun cream before your child comes to school and to provide a sun hat.

The timetable we will offer pupils in year groups Reception, 1 and 6 are as follows.

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	<i>arrive 8:45am and drop off in the school car park collect 2:45 main playground</i>	<i>arrive 8:30am and drop off in the school car park collect 3:15 main playground</i>
Monday	Year 6 – Mr Langdon Outdoor learning and class based curriculum	Key Worker/vulnerable children (not in Y6) Flamingo Classroom, outdoor area & outdoor classroom
Tuesday	Year 6 – Mr Langdon Outdoor learning and class based curriculum	Key Worker/vulnerable children (not in Y6) Flamingo Classroom, outdoor area & outdoor classroom
Wednesday	Year 6 – Mr Langdon Outdoor learning and class based curriculum	Key Worker/vulnerable children (not in Y6) Flamingo Classroom, outdoor area & outdoor classroom
Thursday	YR/1 – Mrs Brown Rainbow Stars Class + outdoor area	Key Worker/vulnerable children (not in YR/1) Flamingo Classroom, outdoor area & outdoor classroom
Friday	YR/1 – Mrs Brown Rainbow Stars Class + outdoor area	Key Worker/vulnerable children (not in YR/1) Flamingo Classroom, outdoor area & outdoor classroom

Year 6 children should be dropped off in the car park by the main entrance at 8:45am on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Mr Langdon and I will meet them there.

Similarly, Reception and Year 1 children should be dropped off in the car park by the main entrance at 8:45am on Thursday and Friday. Mrs Brown and I will meet them there.

Y6, Reception and Year 1 children will finish their school day at 2:45pm and parents should collect their children from the main playground. Parents are responsible for ensuring safe distances in the school playground are respected and only one parent should enter the playground to collect their child please.

During the remainder of the summer term parents will not be able to enter the school building. We also ask that children do not bring in toys/cuddly toys from home.

Learning online will still be posted on Seesaw for all other year groups.

We are looking forward to welcoming the children back and regret that, despite our best efforts, we have not been allowed to make a more equitable offer for all our children.

Warmest regards,



Ben Stephenson
Headteacher