



Lyng Church of England Primary Academy

Executive Headteacher: Mrs Shannon O'Sullivan

Wensum Road, Lyng, Norwich, NR9 5RJ

Tel: 01603 872828 Email: office@lyng.norfolk.sch.uk Web: www.lyng.norfolk.sch.uk

17 January 2025

School Based Nursery Consultation

Consultation Review: Initial Outcome

We are pleased to share the initial outcomes of our consultation for establishing a school-based Nursery at Lyng Church of England Primary School. We extend our heartfelt thanks to the numerous families and community members who actively participated in this process. We received a total of 18 responses, reflecting a diverse range of perspectives from our school and the wider community, providers and families currently engaged with Montessori education to those seeking school-based provision.

Key Findings and Positives

The responses highlighted some queries, primarily centred around parking, optimal learning spaces, and a bold-beginnings learning style.

Positive feedback emphasised our strengths in forest school provision, our outdoor environment, enriched learning through Music and PE accessed by EYFS. Opportunities for effective transition support, learning resources and an opportunity for early identification of SEND needs.

Our free teacher-led enrichment club opportunities and onsite wraparound care were also seen as a benefit to families as Nursery children would have access to these.

Response to Queries

Addressing queries beyond the initial consultation scope, we have collaborated with NCC and the Academy Estates Team over the past year. This partnership has led to multiple visits from Estates and Finance teams to support plans for improvements in our school facilities, particularly in enhanced toilets and maximising available space, if we opened a school-based Nursery.

Facilities Update

Regarding classroom space, pending grant approval, we plan to utilise existing unused space within the school for the new EYFS Nursery base, alongside constructing appropriate EYFS toilets and mini-cooking/DT facilities.



Lyng Church of England Primary Academy

Executive Headteacher: Mrs Shannon O'Sullivan

Wensum Road, Lyng, Norwich, NR9 5RJ

Tel: 01603 872828 Email: office@lyng.norfolk.sch.uk Web: www.lyng.norfolk.sch.uk

Recent successes in securing large-scale capital grants for EYFS pupils across the Federation reinforce our confidence and the priority in this endeavour.

Enhanced Outdoor Learning

To facilitate dedicated free-flow opportunities for EYFS and KS1, we intend to develop a secure outdoor learning environment for Nursery and Reception. This initiative aims to support seamless indoor-outdoor transitions for our youngest learners while also providing a separate outdoor space tailored for KS1 pupils.

Improved Accessibility

With the removal of morning NCC bus transport parking in our car park, we anticipate sufficient onsite drop-off spaces for families of Nursery pupils, ensuring safe drop-offs for young children as needed. Additionally, our proposal includes plans for a new safety gate equipped with an intercom system, enhancing school security.

Ongoing Collaboration and Updates

Discussions with Norfolk County Council's EYFS and Planning team, in conjunction with our Academy Trust, are ongoing. We remain committed to keeping all stakeholders informed as developments progress. Your continued caring and supportive engagement are deeply appreciated.