**Return dates for Barnet schools and settings**

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|  | w/c 4th January | w/c 11th January | w/c 18th January |
| Vulnerable children (see definition below) and children of critical workers | Return to school - all schools open for vulnerable and critical worker children | Continue at school - all schools open for vulnerable and critical worker children | Continue at school - all schools open for vulnerable and critical worker children |
| Special schools | Return to school encouraged | Continue at school | Continue at school |
| Alternative Provision (Pupil Referral Units) | Return to school | Continue at school | Continue at school |
| Primary schools | Closed for all years from Reception to Year 6, except for vulnerable and critical worker children. Remote education for other children. | Closed for all years from Reception to Year 6, except for vulnerable and critical worker children. Remote education for other children. | Not yet known – government announcement the week before |
| Nursery classes in Primary schools | Check with the school. | Check with the school | Check with the school |
| Nursery schools / Settings | Return to school / PVI (private nurseries) | Continue at school / PVI | Continue at school / PVI |
| Secondary schools – Years 11 and 13 | Closed except for vulnerable and critical worker children. Remote education for other children. | Return to school for Years 11 and 13. Also open for vulnerable and critical worker children. Remote education for other children. | Open for all children, subject to any government announcements |
| Secondary schools – Years 7, 8, 9, 10 and 12 | Closed except for vulnerable and critical worker children. Remote education for other children. | Closed except for vulnerable and critical worker children and students in years 11 and 13. Remote education for other children. | Return to school subject to any government announcements |

**Return dates for schools in neighbouring local authorities**

Parents/carers of children resident in Barnet who attend school in another local authority area should check with their school when they will be open for which children. All schools should be open for all vulnerable and critical workers children from the start of term, as should all special schools and Alternative Provision. Secondary school opening should be the same as for Barnet schools. Primary schools that are not in ‘Contingency Framework’ local authorities are expected to be open from the start of term. Currently that includes Camden, Islington, Harrow and Haringey. Check Annex A of the DfE’s ‘Contingency Framework’ Implementation guidance for the list of local authorities facing the same restrictions on school opening as Barnet: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-contingency-framework-for-education-and-childcare-settings?utm_source=15f791ab-c8f6-4bd5-83d3-fb94868b91d0&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications&utm_content=immediate>

The DfE Guidance on vulnerable pupils and critical workers can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educational-provision/guidance-for-schools-colleges-and-local-authorities-on-maintaining-educational-provision>

**Vulnerable children**

Vulnerable children and young people include those who:

* are assessed as being in need under section 17 of the Children Act 1989, including children and young people who have a child in need plan, a child protection plan or who are a looked-after child
* have an education, health and care (EHC) plan
* have been identified as otherwise vulnerable by educational providers or local authorities (including children's social care services), and who could therefore benefit from continued full-time attendance, this might include:
  + children and young people on the edge of receiving support from children's social care services or in the process of being referred to children's services
  + adopted children or children on a special guardianship order
  + those at risk of becoming NEET ('not in employment, education or training')
  + those living in temporary accommodation
  + those who are young carers
  + those who may have difficulty engaging with remote education at home (for example, due to a lack of devices or quiet space to study)
  + care leavers
  + other children and young people at the provider and local authority's discretion including pupils who need to attend to receive support or manage risks to their mental health

**Critical Worker List:**

Parents whose work is critical to the coronavirus (COVID-19) response include those who work in health and social care and in other key sectors outlined in the following sections.

Please write YES in the right hand column to indicate the work you do that is critical to the coronavirus response.

Please also complete the yellow highlighted section at the end of the form.

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|  | Write ‘YES’ |
| **Health and social care** |  |
| Doctors, nurses, midwives, paramedics, social workers, care workers, and other frontline health and social care staff including volunteers |  |
| the support and specialist staff required to maintain the UK’s health and social care sector |  |
| those working as part of the health and social care supply chain, including producers and distributors of medicines and medical and personal protective equipment |  |
| **Education and childcare** |  |
| registered childcare |  |
| support and teaching staff |  |
| social workers |  |
| specialist education professionals who must remain active during the coronavirus (COVID-19) response to deliver this approach |  |
| **Key public services** |  |
| those essential to the running of the justice system |  |
| religious staff |  |
| charities and workers delivering key frontline services |  |
| those responsible for the management of the deceased |  |
| journalists and broadcasters who are providing public service broadcasting |  |
| **Local and national government-**  This only includes a) or b) |  |
| 1. those administrative occupations essential to the effective delivery of the coronavirus (COVID-19) response |  |
| 1. delivering essential public services, such as the payment of benefits, including in government agencies and arms length bodies |  |
| **Food and other necessary goods** |  |
| food production |  |
| food processing |  |
| food distribution |  |
| food sale and delivery |  |
| those essential to the provision of other key goods (for example hygienic and veterinary medicines) |  |
| **Public safety and national security** |  |
| police and support staff |  |
| Ministry of Defence civilians |  |
| contractor and armed forces personnel (those critical to the delivery of key defence and national security outputs and essential to the response to the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak) |  |
| fire and rescue service employees (including support staff) |  |
| National Crime Agency staff |  |
| those maintaining border security, prison and probation staff and other national security roles, including those overseas |  |
| **Transport** |  |
| those who will keep the air, water, road and rail passenger and freight transport modes operating during the coronavirus (COVID-19) response |  |
| those working on transport systems through which supply chains pass |  |
| **Utilities, communication and financial services** |  |
| staff needed for **essential** financial services provision (including but not limited to workers in banks, building societies and financial market infrastructure) |  |
| the oil, gas, electricity and water sectors (including sewerage) |  |
| information technology and data infrastructure sector and primary industry supplies to continue during the coronavirus (COVID-19) response |  |
| key staff working in the civil nuclear, chemicals, telecommunications (including but not limited to network operations, field engineering, call centre staff, IT and data infrastructure, 999 and 111 critical services) |  |
| postal services and delivery |  |
| payments providers |  |
| waste disposal sectors |  |

Name of the company for whom you currently work:

Name(s) of child(ren) attending school:

Signature of parent who is a critical worker: