



Welcome to Salterford House School, where we believe that children thrive on an all round education within a caring and supportive environment.



Set in over four acres of woodland, we are an independent preparatory school on the outskirts of Nottingham, with a family feel and passion for enabling children to do their best. Our pupils learn in a safe, rural environment where they are able to enjoy our beautiful surroundings and

develop through learning, discovery and guided curiosity. We strive to develop their talents and personalities in a positive and productive way throughout the school, giving them a superb

grounding for the years ahead.

We are a thriving school with 80 pupils aged 2 to 11. Since opening our doors in 1981, we have continued the belief that every child matters, having small class sizes to encourage and nurture in addition to teaching music, sport and drama as well as the curriculum subjects to ensure a wide range of experiences.

Many of our current pupils have joined the school on the recommendation of others, or following one of our regular open days. Whilst we hope you gain a flavour of the school

from our website, you are invited to arrange a visit to

Salterford House to see our unique setting

for yourself. I am confident you will find a happy, nurturing community of young people eager to learn and keen to seize every opportunity presented to

them.

We look forward to welcoming you,

Ms Kimberley Venables Head Teacher

# THE EARLY YEARS





Fun and enjoyment is at the heart of the younger children's learning with our teachers and nursery staff working hard to create a positive, exciting and stimulating learning environment.

We appreciate that every child is different, so our lessons and activities are tailored around the children helping them to develop their skills and early learning goals as well as their interests in sports, music and drama.





from an early age. We follow the National Curriculum as this enables children to maintain continuity in their education as they move on to senior schools. It also allows us to keep pace with modern developments in education as well as giving us a system to keep parents informed of their children's progress and a comparison with national achievement. A high proportion of children at Salterford House achieve examination success for selective schools as well as in their National Curriculum Tests.





# Extra-Curriculum

Extra-curricular activities are an integral part of school life here where children build the skills to feel confident to tackle new and challenging situations in life and develop high self- esteem.

## **Extra- Curricular sport**

All children have the opportunity to represent the school sports teams if they attend weekly practices. The children will play:

Netball

Football

Hockey

Rugby

Cricket

Swimming,

**Cross- Country** 

**Athletics** 

Rounders

**Tennis** 

We have been ISA Midlands champions at Tag Rugby, Swimming, Tennis and Netball as well as qualifying for national ISA tournaments in these sports and in Athletics. In addition, we are very involved in Gedling Area Sports and attend a large number of tournaments including Rugby, Netball, Football, Tennis, Cricket for boys and girls, Lacrosse and Netball. For a small school we have great team spirit and huge talent so we are often able to compete against much bigger schools. We always teach the children to give their very best and play as a team. Sportsmanship is at the heart of everything we teach.

### Music

All the children from kindergarten to year 6 receive weekly music lessons and from year 2 everyone receives recorder lessons too. We have a wide range of specialist music teachers and our children can choose to play a wide range of instruments, including piano, flute, saxophone, clarinet, drums and guitar. Our recorder group performs regularly at schools functions as well as for local residential care homes at Christmas and Easter. Ballet is offered to all pupils throughout the school if the wish to participate.

#### **Drama**

Our LAMDA Speech and Drama lessons are a firm favourite with many of our pupils and all the children enjoy performing the Christmas plays.

Pupils at Salterford House are also able to take part in our drama club, putting on a full scale, musical production each Easter as well as opting to enter LAMDA examinations that are held twice a year. Another highlight for the children is taking part in the annual ISA drama festival, in which we have won many trophies over recent years, including prizes for the best musical 12 years running. Drama is a real strength of the school.







