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A VERY WARM WELCOME

It is with immense pleasure that I extend a warm welcome to you all as we embark on a journey of learning, growth, and achievement at Killisick Junior School. Here, we believe in fostering a spirit of excellence that resonates throughout the school. We are proud partners of the Flying High Partnership, which was founded in 2012 and has steadily grown to 34 schools in the primary phase across Nottingham City, Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire. Being part of a family and partnership of schools offers so much to our children, families and wider communities. It's nice to know we're a part of something bigger than just ourselves.

Our mission is a simple yet ambitious one: to be the best school we can possibly be. This mission drives us to continuously seek excellence in every aspect of education and personal development. We are committed to nurturing an environment where individuals feel happy, safe, respected, and valued.

At the core of our vision is inclusivity. We are proud to be an inclusive school, embracing the diversity of our students and their unique qualities. We hold high expectations for everyone who passes through our doors, from students to staff, and we celebrate each achievement, no matter how big or small.

Our school values – respect, pride, confidence, responsibility, aspiration, perseverance, creativity, and enjoyment – serve as guiding principles that shape our daily interactions and experiences. These values empower us to create a positive and supportive learning environment that encourages each child to reach their full potential.

Our commitment to excellence and dedication to hard work have been recognised in our most recent OFSTED inspection, where we were judged to have “maintained the standards of the last inspection in 2019 where we were “good”. The inspectors noted that Killisick Junior School is a happy and caring school. The school has high expectations of pupils’ achievement and pupils are exceptionally well prepared for their next steps.”



Richard Jones
Headteacher
MA; NPQH; FCCT

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THE GOVERNING BOARD

On behalf of the Killisick Junior School Governing Body I would like to welcome you to our wonderful school. As Governors, we believe passionately that every child deserves to have access to the very best education possible. We are acutely aware that our children only get one chance at school so we need to do everything possible to make sure we create an environment in which they can thrive. In order to do this, our Governors have responsibility to:

- ensure there is clarity of the vision, ethos and strategic direction;
- hold the Headteacher to account over the educational performance of the school and performance management of staff;
- oversee the financial performance of the school and ensure money is well spent;
- ensure that the voices of our stakeholders are heard.

Our current Governing Body has a range of skills and backgrounds that provide the school with the support and challenge they need to remain ambitious. What unifies us is our commitment to Killisick's vision to be an inclusive school and to our mission statement of educational excellence, unrivalled personal development and collective responsibility. I hope that these, along with our values, shine through on this prospectus – they are hugely important to us and underpin everything that we do. We are very proud to be part of the Killisick Junior School community and we look forward to welcoming you all to be part of it too.



Rachel Makey
Chair of Governors

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ABOUT KILLISICK JUNIOR SCHOOL

Killisick Junior School is a 2-form entry junior school in the Arnold area of the borough of Gedling, Nottingham. We currently have 8 classes, 2 per year group.

Our ethos of educational excellence and unrivalled personal development supports children to become confident in their approach to learning and school life. Our curriculum takes on a key question for each enquiry enabling pupils to consolidate and apply independence.

We are a school of choice for families from the local infant school, with all children transitioning from Key Stage 1.

Our commitment to inclusivity and diversity makes us the top choice for our families.

Ensuring achievement for all is fundamental to our mission, as such the support we offer to children with special educational needs and disabilities ensures they achieve very well by the end of Key Stage 2.



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OUR VISION

We are an inclusive school where individuals are happy, safe, respected and valued; where there are expectations of excellence for everyone and all achievements are celebrated. We impress upon our children the need to believe in themselves and their ability in order to achieve greatness and be successful.

OUR MISSION

- **Educational excellence** - a commitment to the highest possible standards by being better tomorrow than we are today.
- **Unrivalled personal development** - working consistently to develop every aspect of our children's character.
- **Collective responsibility** - working together to deliver excellence and holistic development for our children.



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Aspiration

Confidence

Creativity

Enjoyment

Perseverance

Pride

Respect

Responsibility

An illustration of a stylized owl with large eyes and a purple beak, set within a circular frame. The owl is light blue with purple accents.

Our Values

Our values underpin all that we do, putting children at the heart of every decision.



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OUR SCHOOL DAY

The school day is jam packed with learning activities from start to finish... with added extras at the start and end of the day if you need them.

As a guide, here is the kind of timetable our children follow:

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| 8:30 | Gate opens |
| 8:40 | Morning learning |
| 10:15 | Breaktime |
| 10:30 | Morning learning |
| 12:00 | Lunch |
| 12.45 | Afternoon learning |
| 15:10 | Home time |

"I love being at school. I learn something new everyday and have lots of fun all at the same time."
Charlie, Year 3

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EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE

We take immense pride in our commitment to educational excellence. Our Killisick curriculum is thoughtfully designed to provide our young learners with a broad and balanced education, firmly rooted in the principles of the National Curriculum. We understand that a strong foundation in key subjects such as reading, writing, mathematics, and science is essential. However, we also believe that education is more than just these fundamental pillars. Our students benefit from high-quality teaching that is delivered in a well-considered and sequential manner, gradually building towards a wide variety of outcomes.

Our curriculum extends beyond the core subjects, ensuring that children at Killisick are exposed to high-quality foundation subject teaching. From the excitement of PE activities that promote physical fitness and teamwork, to the creativity fostered through our art and design technology (DT) curriculum, we offer a holistic learning experience. Whether it's mastering culinary skills or exploring the art of calligraphy, delving into the depths of mathematics or harmonising in music class, our children thrive academically and creatively. We take great pride in our Key Stage 2 outcomes, which consistently surpass the national average, demonstrating our dedication to nurturing well-rounded, accomplished individuals who are well-prepared for their future educational journeys.

“Our lessons are interesting and we learn many different subjects. My skills have developed so much.”
Olivia, Year 6

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An enquiry based approach

Our meticulously designed curriculum has a set of core principles that underpin everything we do.

These principles serve as the backbone of our educational approach, ensuring that our students receive a well-rounded and enriching learning experience.

Metacognition is at the heart of our curriculum. We empower our children to think about thinking and to learn how best to learn. By cultivating their metacognitive skills, our students become more self-aware and proficient learners, equipped with the tools to navigate challenges and succeed in their educational journey.

Experiences are vital in building our children's cultural capital. We believe that exposure to a wide range of enriching opportunities is key to fostering well-rounded individuals. Through a diverse array of experiences, our students develop a deeper appreciation for the world around them, enhancing their creativity and broadening their horizons.

Global citizenship is another fundamental aspect of our curriculum. We strive to instil in our children a sense of responsibility, both locally and on a global scale. We empower them to understand their role in shaping the future of our planet, nurturing compassionate and informed individuals who can positively impact their communities and the world.

“Leaders continually improve the quality of education provided for pupils.”



An enquiry based approach

Our curriculum is inherently aspirational, designed to open doors and provide our students with the widest array of opportunities in their future lives. We believe in equipping our children with the skills, knowledge, and mindset needed to achieve their goals and aspirations.

Vocabulary development is a cornerstone of effective communication, both in writing and speech. Our curriculum places a strong emphasis on building a comprehensive and rich vocabulary, enabling our students to express themselves articulately and with confidence.

Our curriculum concepts revolve around significant ideas such as identity, community, sustainability, fairness and equality, freedom, and change. These concepts evolve and deepen as children progress through the years, ensuring that our students engage with important societal issues and develop a nuanced understanding of the world around them. We are committed to providing an education that not only prepares our children academically but also fosters critical thinking, global awareness, and a lifelong love for learning

“Reading is a focus of the school’s work. The library has interesting books and is popular with pupils.” OFSTED, 2019



UNRIVALLED PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

We believe that education should encompass the development of character, leadership skills, and a love for learning. Our comprehensive approach to personal development begins with a curriculum enriched with opportunities for students to explore and discover their passions. Through initiatives like Youth Voice in Action and OWL Time enrichment, children take on leadership roles, collaborate with peers from different year groups, and delve into their interests while acquiring new skills. This holistic approach ensures that our students are well-rounded individuals who are prepared to excel in all aspects of life.

Music plays a significant role in our personal development program, with individual and group music tuition available in piano, guitar, and drums. Our specialist music therapist offers bespoke and intensive support, recognising the therapeutic and creative benefits that music can provide. Additionally, we encourage physical well-being and team spirit through our yearly sporting calendar, which includes both fun and competitive fixtures within the school, across the Partnership, and beyond. These experiences instil discipline, teamwork, and a passion for physical activity in our students.

Scan the QR code to see our
Personal Development Charter



#educationalexcellence

#unrivalledpersonaldevelopment

We firmly believe in the power of experiential learning, and to this end, every year group benefits from a residential trip. These adventures not only broaden horizons but also nurture confidence, self-esteem, and independence. Furthermore, we offer nationally recognised accreditations that children can aspire to, fostering a sense of achievement and personal growth.

At Killisick, our commitment to personal development ensures that our students not only excel academically but also grow into confident, well-rounded individuals prepared to make a positive impact on the world around them.

In addition to our comprehensive personal development program, we are proud to offer exceptional Forest School provision that every child at Killisick can access. We recognise the immense value of connecting with nature and the benefits of outdoor learning. Our Forest School sessions provide students with the unique opportunity to explore the natural world, fostering a deep appreciation for the environment and a sense of responsibility towards it. Being outdoors and surrounded by nature not only enhances physical well-being but also promotes creativity, problem-solving, and resilience.



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EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES & WRAPAROUND CARE

We are proud to offer a wide range of extra-curricular and wrap-around care options to meet the needs of both parents and children. Each day begins with our popular Breakfast Club from 7:45am, this early start ensures convenience for busy parents and provides children with a nourishing and supportive environment to begin their day.

Our commitment to enriching the lives of our students extends into the afternoon with a diverse selection of extra-curricular activities available every day until 4:15 pm. These activities are designed to cater to a variety of interests and talents, allowing students to explore their passions and develop new skills.

We also work closely with Lime Trees after-school provision, based at Pinewood Infants, to offer additional wrap-around care. This collaboration ensures that parents have access to extended care options, making it easier to balance work and family life. For children, these opportunities not only offer a chance to engage in fun and educational activities but also foster social skills, independence, and a sense of belonging within our school community.

At Killisick, our commitment to comprehensive care supports both the well-being of our students and the needs of our families, ensuring that every child has the opportunity to thrive both inside and outside the classroom.

Scan the QR code to find out more about Lime Trees



SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS

At Killisick Junior School, we are committed to providing highly effective support for children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). Our approach begins with the foundation of consistently high-quality first teaching delivered by our team of highly trained specialists. We believe that every child deserves access to the best possible education, and this starts in the classroom. Our teachers are dedicated to creating an inclusive learning environment where all students can thrive, regardless of their individual needs.

In addition to exceptional first teaching, we understand the importance of adaptive and responsive teaching strategies. Our educators are skilled in tailoring their instruction to meet the unique requirements of each student. We offer personalized curricula that are designed to address the specific strengths and challenges of every child, ensuring that they receive the support they need to succeed. Moreover, our school implements bespoke intervention and support programs, providing targeted assistance when it is needed most.

We operate under a Graduated Response framework to guarantee that every learner receives the support they require, precisely when they need it. We place a strong emphasis on communication with parents, believing in the power of "parents as partners" in their child's education journey. We actively seek and value pupil voice, involving students in decisions about their own learning and well-being every step of the way. Together, as a collaborative and supportive community, we strive to empower every child to reach their fullest potential.



“Teachers adapt the curriculum well for pupils with special educational needs and disabilities. Staff understand pupils’ needs and provide good support. Pupils with SEND flourish.”

OFSTED, 2019.

PASTORAL SUPPORT

Our commitment to outstanding pastoral support extends beyond academic success to the holistic well-being of our students. We recognise that emotional and mental health are integral components of a child's development, and we have taken concrete steps to ensure that every child feels supported and valued. Within our dedicated pastoral team, we are proud to have two trained ELSAs (Emotional Literacy Support Assistants) and two trained Mental Health First Aiders who are readily available to provide essential emotional support when needed.

Our school places a strong emphasis on well-being, with a bespoke well-being curriculum deeply embedded into our daily routines. Our students start their day with a well-being check-in, allowing them a safe space to express their thoughts and feelings. In addition, our Child and Family Support Worker is always on hand to offer guidance and assistance, addressing a full range of issues that children and parents may encounter. We understand that well-being extends beyond the school gates, and we maintain positive relationships with local and national agencies to ensure access to essential services and resources that can support our families in times of need.

We believe that a thriving and well-supported community is the foundation for academic excellence and personal growth.



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ATTENDANCE

We place a strong emphasis on the importance of regular attendance and excellent punctuality. We firmly believe that consistent attendance is a fundamental factor in a child's educational journey. Our target of 97% attendance reflects our commitment to ensuring that every student maximizes their learning opportunities. It is essential for parents and guardians to recognise the profound links between good attendance and positive outcomes in a child's academic, social, and personal development.

Studies consistently show that students with good attendance records tend to achieve better academically, as they have the opportunity to fully engage in classroom learning and benefit from the continuity of instruction. Regular school attendance also contributes to the development of important life skills, such as time management, responsibility, and discipline, which are essential for success in both school and future endeavors. We understand that various challenges may affect attendance, and that's why we have a dedicated Child and Family Support Worker who is available to provide ongoing assistance and support to our families as needed. Our aim is to work collaboratively with parents and guardians to overcome any barriers to attendance, ensuring that every child has the opportunity to thrive and reach their full potential at Killisick.



You've got to be in it, to win it!

UNIFORM

School uniform provides a clear identity for our school, reinforcing our commitment to high standards and a positive learning environment. Ultimately, uniform at Killisick Junior School promotes a sense of respect, responsibility, and readiness for the future, preparing our students to thrive academically and socially.

Uniform

- White Polo Shirt (with school logo – optional)
- Black/Grey Trousers, Skirt or Shorts
- Blue & White Gingham Dress
- Royal Blue Jumper or Cardigan (with school logo – optional)
- Black, sensible footwear. Footwear must be closed toe – no sandals are allowed.

PE and Games Kit

- Plain White T-shirt or Polo Shirt
- Plain Black Shorts/Black Tracksuit
- Sensible Trainers

Jewellery

- Children may wear a watch and children with pierced ears may wear one pair of studs.
- All jewellery must be removed for PE and swimming.

Pre-loved uniform is available from our Uniform Swap Swap for a small donation.



School uniform is available from
School Wear Ltd
www.just-schoolwear.co.uk

ADMISSIONS

Admissions to the school are processed by the Local Authority as part of the Nottinghamshire Coordinated Admissions Scheme. Applications should be made online but can also be made by phoning 0300 500 80 80 or by completing and mailing an application form (PDF).

Please use the link below to apply for a school place. The School Admissions Hub also gives plenty of information you may need when considering making your application.

Scan the QR code to go straight to the Nottinghamshire County Council Schools Admission Hub:

We can offer informal bespoke tours of school. Contact the Office to book a convenient time and date.



Call us on 0115 953 5585 for more information on how to apply for a place at our school.

“Making the move to Killisick was quick and easy. The team supported my child’s induction fantastically.”
Liam, parent of Y5 child



WHAT DO PARENTS SAY?

Killisick is always a fun place to learn and develop your child's skills and talents."

"Killisick has been fantastic for both of my children. We love it here. Thank you."

My child is really happy at Killisick. They always come home with a smile on their face."



Want to visit our wonderful school?
Call 0115 953 5585 to book an appointment.

FLYING HIGH PARTNERSHIP

The Flying High Trust was established in June 2012 with an outstanding Nottinghamshire school as the founder member. Since then we have grown to 33 schools with further schools looking to join in the coming years

Together we can achieve excellence. This ethos is guided by our core principles:

- Children first – at the heart of every decision is ‘will this benefit our children?’
- Aspiration for all – children, staff, families and local communities to aim high and dream big. Look back with pride and forward with confidence.
- Ensuring our schools are at the heart of their communities, leading social change.
- Supporting meaningful partnerships – schools that support and challenge each other to become the best schools in the universe through mutual accountability.
- A commitment to continuous improvement – to strive to provide the best opportunities for our children so that they can look back with pride and forward with confidence.
- Primary led – this is our area of passion and expertise and we focus on developing the whole child and each child as an individual.

We aim for our schools to be the best schools in the universe!

By the end of their primary education we aim for all of our children to be ready for secondary school and be inspired to be the best they can be through our seven values:

- Aspiration
- Confidence
- Creativity
- Enjoyment
- Perseverance
- Pride
- Responsibility



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**Look back with pride
and forward with
confidence.**





For queries regarding this prospectus, please contact:

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