

The Netherhall Learning Campus Prospectus



Netherhall High School

The Creative & Media Studio School





Introduction

A unique educational experience, giving learners from 3 to 19 years the opportunity to develop and flourish.

Making the right choice of school is a major decision for any parent or carer. We all want our children to be happy, secure and to thrive in a supportive, caring environment. However, we also expect that they will be challenged academically and will develop confidence as they work to achieve their goals.

Netherhall Learning Campus consists of four schools, covering the full age and ability range from 3 - 19 years, each with its own distinctive ethos; each with its own individual identity and each catering to the specific needs of its students.

“At the Netherhall Learning Campus, we are dedicated to unlocking the potential for achievement in all our students. That’s why ‘Success for All’ is our motto.”

Whilst the four schools are linked by a common philosophy and by common expectations, the High School and Creative & Media Studio School retain their own particular characteristics.

From Year 7 onwards, pupils follow a range of learning pathways, tailored to meet their individual needs. The schools aim to provide students with as wide a range of options as possible to adequately prepare them for training, further and higher education and the challenges of life beyond the school gates.

The standard of teaching has been consistently rated ‘Good’ or better in successive OfSTED inspections.

This prospectus is designed to give an overview of the unique learning experience on offer. Both schools welcome personal enquiries and will be happy to arrange individual visits for the prospective pupils and their families.



A Continuous Journey

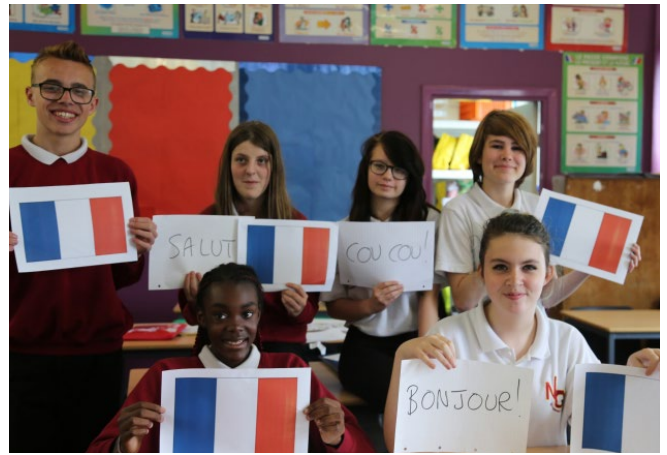
Netherhall Learning Campus offers children and young adults a continuous structured progression from Early Years entry through Key Stages 1 to 4 and beyond to high level vocational qualifications, AS and A level studies, via the Studio School.

Pupils may join any of the schools at any time. Regardless of the stage at which they start to attend, all students will experience the unique benefit of an education that has been planned by specialist teachers for all stages of a child's learning journey.

This means that there is:

A common standard and expectation of dress, behaviour and standards of presentation

- All students, regardless of age, are expected to observe common rules of courtesy, respect, honesty and reliability.
- Uniform is the same across the campus except in the Studio School
- From the start of their school career, all pupils are expected to arrive on time and with the correct equipment.
- Work is always to be presented to the best of the pupils' ability and books are to be respected and kept in good condition.



High Quality Teaching

- Teachers across the campus meet regularly to share ideas and good practice.
- Teachers whose practice has been praised by OfSTED or who have been designated as Advanced Skills or Excellent Teachers, teach across the campus. They share their expertise and help identify and meet the needs of pupils with special aptitude in their subject area.
- All schools organise special focus days to raise attainment in key learning areas such as English and Maths.



Innovative curriculum development

- The curriculum is jointly planned by specialist teachers across the campus to prevent unnecessary repetition and stalling of progress on change of school.
- Pupils of all ages follow tailored routeways to meet their individual learning needs.

A stimulating and attractive working environment

- Creativity and opportunities for artistic and musical development are actively promoted and encouraged.
- Pupils' work is celebrated through performance, exhibitions and display.
- Pupils in all phases have the opportunity to learn from and be inspired by the work of their peers.

Building Relationships with Parents & Carers

- A dedicated community team works across the campus to work with parents to help support their children.
- Encourage greater parent and carer participation in school.
- Support adults who may have had a career break, back into learning and the workplace.



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High School

Learning to deal with the physical, emotional and intellectual changes of the high school years is a major challenge for parents, carers and schools.



Netherhall Learning Campus recognises that young people differ in their needs and expectations and that all will have different strengths, talents and abilities.

Because every child is unique, the school works hard to ensure that they follow a learning journey tailored to meet individual need.

Exam results are important. Netherhall Learning campus is uncompromisingly focussed on ensuring that each child, no matter what their level of ability, achieves the best possible:

- **Grades**
- **Appropriate qualifications**
- **Foundation for future success**

While most will follow a traditional range of subjects to meet the requirements of the new 'E-Bac' standard, others will follow alternative pathways leading to vocational qualifications and experience.



94%

"The school makes sure my child is well prepared for the future" (NLC parents in a recent OfSTED survey.)

This commitment to pupil achievement is reflected in the rapid and sustained improvement in the exam results, year on year since 2006.

This is achieved by:

- High quality teaching

"The leadership team has maintained the good quality of education since the last inspection."

OfSTED Report Nov 2016

- Setting challenging targets and helping students to achieve them.

"Teachers are resolute that pupils should reach their potential and have been successful in helping pupils to raise their aspirations and realise their ambitions."

OfSTED Report Nov 2016

- Providing additional support in the form of away days and residential courses

"Pupils were able to access the employment training or further education course that matched their aspirations."

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As well as laying the foundations for academic success, Netherhall Learning Campus High School places great importance in nurturing talent.

From the moment a visitor enters the building, the emphasis on the Creative Arts is clear. All students are encouraged to get involved with Music, Drama, Art and Textiles.

In a state-of-the-art suite of music and drama studios, high school students gain the technical skill to compose, record and edit their own work as well as experiencing the excitement of performing established works on stage.

Budding chefs and fashion designers can take their first steps towards perfecting their craft by learning a range of design and making skills, supported by Kirklees College or the University of Huddersfield with whom the school has close links.

Netherhall Learning Campus is well served for sports and all students are encouraged to take responsibility for their own health and well-being. As well as the sports halls and extensive playing fields and wet weather areas, the school has a fitness room for use by the students in and out of regular school hours.

94%
of NLC parents agree that their child enjoys school.

93%
of parents say "The teaching at this school is good".



The Creative & Media Studio School



The Creative & Media Studio School offers a unique learning pathway for creative students across Kirklees. We aim to help our students Create Themselves!

The CMSS is the first of its kind in the UK and sits on the Campus of Netherhall, next to the High School. Home to a £4 million new build, the provision is able to offer creative level 3 BTECs and A level pathways.

Why is the Studio School different to other Colleges?

The Creative & Media Studio School is open to all of Kirklees students wishing to undertake a level 3 creative subject and offers:

- Btec Level 3 qualifications in Acting, Art and Design, Enterprise, Media, Music, and Production Arts.
- A Levels in English Literature and Language Combined and Mathematics.
- Personal coaching so each student has one-one time with their coach to evaluate progress against their skills and achievements.
- A business engagement manager who works at providing young people with opportunities to complete live business commissions with our business partners.
- Industry standard equipment that supports the high standard of work that students produce.
- A professional, relaxed, open plan environment that is small in nature.
- A small, friendly, personal learning environment that helps students from NLC High and Schools across Kirklees to make a successful transition into level 3 learning.

The Studio School is unique, and not like other college provisions. Please check us out at:

www.studio-school.org.uk



Extra

Curricular

Well-balanced, full and rounded. More than just an education.

Netherhall Learning Campus offers pupils an education designed to give them the very best chance of achieving or, indeed, surpassing, their potential.

That, however, is only part of the story. Students are also offered a huge variety of activities and experiences designed to stimulate the growth of:

- Creativity and expression.
- Self-esteem and personal confidence.
- Civic responsibility and a wider understanding of our place in society
- Enjoyment and the broadening of individual horizons.
- Willingness to participate in new and testing challenges.

NLC believes that the opportunity to participate in a range of new experiences provides students with the skills and knowledge to help them succeed socially and professionally with others in the world beyond school.



On offer to all pupils are:

- Visits to places of historical and environmental interest, museums, galleries, wildlife and nature reserves.
- Residential trips to take part in team building exercises, specialist subject seminars and outward bound challenges.
- Theatre trips and improvisation sessions with professional actors.
- Collaborative projects with the University of Huddersfield
- Performances by musicians and the opportunity to participate in master classes.
- Creative and media work with artists in residence.
- Sports and fitness activities.
- Problem solving and team challenges led by business and enterprise groups.
- Experience of different cultures and traditions, including trips abroad.

Students are actively encouraged to become involved in the creative arts and develop their individual talents. Musical tuition is available to all students, sometimes free or at minimal cost. Drama, Dance and Art clubs provide further opportunities for creative expression. Contributing to concerts, plays and musicals, either as a soloist, part of a group or back stage are all part of the NLC experience.

Parents and Partnership.

Pupils flourish most successfully when their parents or carers share the same aims and values as the school.

At NLC you will find a strong emphasis on the importance of partnership.

Parents are encouraged to use the school as a resource to help them support their children throughout their education.

And of course, when problems arise, the schools are always there to talk things through and work together to find a solution.





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