



1st September 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

Start of Term Welcome from the Principals

We hope this letter finds you and your families well and that you have enjoyed a relaxing summer. We are very much looking forward to welcoming the students back into College next week and would like to take this opportunity to share a few key messages as we start the new College year.

Summer Holiday Updates

It was fantastic to welcome over 100 new Year 7 students to our Summer School at the start of the holiday. They made an amazing first impression on the staff and enjoyed a range of learning activities whilst making new friends and becoming familiar with the College site. Our Post 16, Year 11 and Year 10 students celebrated great successes on their respective results days and we extend our warmest congratulations to them all. We are delighted by the high numbers of young people who are choosing to return to our growing Minsthorpe Post 16 and wish all the young people well as they continue on their journey of success.

Start of Term Arrangements – September 2021

Lateral Flow Tests

In order to reduce the transmission of COVID-19, it is important that students return to taking a lateral flow test (LFT) twice weekly in September. In line with government guidance, we will be offering lateral flow testing on site on the INSET Day, Monday 6th September. We will communicate directly with the parents/carers who have given consent to inform you of the arrangements for the first LFTs. These students will be invited to leave a lesson for their second LFT on Thursday 9th September. We urge other students to take a LFT at home before returning to College.

First Day Arrangements

Year 7 and Post 16 students will return to College on Wednesday 8th September as detailed below:

Wednesday 8 th September 2021		
Time:	Session:	Year Group:
8.45am	Arrival of <u>Year 7</u> students through the entrance gate by the Post 16 block/Sports & Fitness Centre & to the Main Hall	Year 7
8.45 – 11.30	Period 1 & P2A with Year 7 P&A mentors, including tour of the site	Year 7
Year 7 Snack Break 11.30-12.00		Year 7
12.00 – 14.25	Period 2B & Period 3 Year 7 follow their normal timetable	Year 7
13.00-14.00	<u>Post 16 students'</u> meeting in the Main Hall <i>with Mr Lloyd</i>	All P16 students

All students will be in College on Thursday 9th September. Students will spend their first morning with their P&A Mentor in their P&A base. These are listed overleaf.

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Thursday 9 th September 2021		
Time:	Session:	Year Group:
8.45am	Arrival of <u>Year 7, 8, 9, 10 & 11</u> students through their designated entrance gate	Year 7 - 11
08.45 – 10.40	Year 7-Year 11 in P&A time	Y7-11
10.40-11.30/12.20	All students (including Post 16) in Period 2. <u>Post 16</u> will arrive on site for 10.40 am.	Y7-13
Snack Break 11.30-12.00 (Year 7 & 8) 12.20-12.50 (Year 9, 10, 11 12 & 13)		Y7-13
12.50-14.25/30	All students (including P16) in normal Period 3	Y7-13

From Friday 10th September onwards, all students will follow our **revised College Day**.

Start time for all students: 8.45am
Finish time for Key Stage 3 (Year 7 & Year 8): 2.25pm
Finish time for Key Stage 4 & 5 (Year 9 - 13): 2.30pm

From Monday 13th September we will be offering a full programme of extra-curricular activities from 8.10am every morning and until 3.30pm every evening. Similarly, Year 11 Commitment Sessions (Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday until 3.30pm) and Year 10 GCSE English Literature lessons until 3.30pm every Wednesday) will begin in the same week.

Designated Entrances for each Year Group

Each year group has a designated entrance where they need to line up from 8.40am. Pastoral staff and the Leadership Team will be on hand to resolve minor issues, such as uniform.

Year 7 – gate next to the Post 16 block
 Year 8 – gate next to the English block
 Year 9 – gate leading down to the Science block
 Year 10 – gate to the right of the Hub
 Year 11 – gate to the left of the Hub
 Post 16 – any entrance

Uniform and Behaviour Expectations

We will be returning to our full College uniform, including a blazer and a tie. We mailed out our uniform leaflet to every family in June. Please contact us if you require another copy or refer to full details on the College website <https://minsthorpe.cc/school-uniform/>

Cross Curriculum Team Leaders have posted two video messages on the website regarding uniform and behaviour expectations which we encourage you to watch with your child.

<https://minsthorpe.cc/reopening-of-the-college-information-update/>

Year 7 Assembly – Behaviour https://youtu.be/tfX9zDh4HcU	Year 8 Assembly – Behaviour https://youtu.be/pEDDWdR_6yo	Year 9 Assembly – Behaviour https://youtu.be/5vQf1zEjUEo
Year 7 Assembly – Uniform https://youtu.be/YAWg4FRmS_g	Year 8 Assembly – Uniform https://youtu.be/3OgB9gpYwll	Year 9 Assembly – Uniform https://youtu.be/HtqHpcSFZJU
Year 10 Assembly – Behaviour https://youtu.be/w39qWNWwK1Y	Year 11 Assembly – Behaviour https://youtu.be/hnADj2h_BEM	
Year 10 Assembly – Uniform https://youtu.be/kS7gFOdkIzY	Year 11 Assembly – Uniform https://youtu.be/0lFnffsp1bw	

We look forward to seeing all students wearing their year group tie which can be bought for £4.50 on the School Gateway App and collected from the Hub if necessary. As you are aware, false nails are banned as they are unsafe and impractical. Please remind your child to get them removed before they return to College. As always, we have a supply of clean uniform which we can lend to students. Students will only be allowed to go to mainstream lessons if they are wearing the correct uniform.

COVID-19 Safety Measures

We have revised our Whole College Risk Assessment to reflect DfE Guidance.

- Many COVID safety measures will stay in place, such as, hand hygiene, good ventilation and regular lateral flow testing as we know that these reduce the transmission of the virus.
- Please keep your child at home and arrange a PCR test, if they are displaying symptoms of COVID-19. They need to isolate until they receive the result of the PCR test. Close contacts of a positive case under the age of 18 no longer need to isolate, but NHS Test and Trace advise that they take a PCR test.
- Students will no longer be asked to wear a face covering when moving around the College site. However, we will be happy for students and staff to wear a face covering, if they wish to.

Final Word

We encourage you to contact College by email enquiries@minsthorpe.cc or by using the School Gateway app if you have any questions about the content of this letter. The start of a new College year is always a time of excitement and optimism. We are looking forward to working with 'Team Minsthorpe' making our vision for the College a reality.

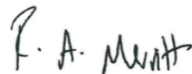
Minsthorpe Community College – a place where everyone plays a part in strengthening our learning community through Motivation, Commitment and Care.

We thank you for the invaluable part you play.

Yours sincerely



Mr M Gilmore
Principal



Mrs R. A. Merritt
Principal

YEAR 7			
CCTL	Miss	Bigland	
CCTL	Miss	Bird	
ACCTL	Mr	Brown	
7.01	Mr	Mountain	M2
7.2	Mrs	Handley	C6
7.3	Mr	Truelove	ML5
7.4	Mr	Jamen	ML7
7.5	Dr	Rayson	S4
7.6	Miss	Werrett	H2
7.7	Miss	Finn	E10
7.8	Miss	Atkinson	M12
7.9	Mr	Jones	C5
7.10	Mr	Applegarth	ML6
7.11	Miss	Tallon	NU1

YEAR 8			
CCTL	Mrs	Lloyd	
CCTL	Mr	Harnell	
ACCTL	Miss	Ficken	
8.01	Mr	Wilkinson	E1
8.2	Mr	Ruston	E7
8.3	Mrs	Howson	S10
8.4	Miss	Turner	S8
8.5	Mr	Sutton	S6
8.6	Mrs	Walker	H6
8.7	Mr	Benson	IT7
8.8	Miss	Martin	M10
8.9	Miss	Finnigan	S2
8.10	Mrs	Frost	M4

YEAR 9			
CCTL	Mrs	Cunningham	
ACCTL	Mr	Johnson	
9.01	Miss	Fletcher	H5
9.2	Miss	Hitchins	H4
9.3	Mrs	Madarasz	RE1
9.4	Mrs	Bradley	DT1
9.5	Mrs	Brignall	H1
9.6	Mr	Mallinson	IT10
9.7	Mrs	Middleton	S5
9.8	Miss	Marsh	M5
9.9	Miss	Glover	DT9
9.10	Mr	Royds-Jones	S14
9.11	Mrs	Hampson	DT2
9.11	Miss	Martin	DT2

YEAR 10			
CCTL	Mr	Max	
ACCTL	Mrs	Fish	
10.01	Mr	Lee	S3
10.2	Mr	Abbott	ML2
10.3	Mrs	Boyd	IT11
10.4	Mrs	Chamberlain	C1
10.5	Mr	Danks	M9
10.6	Mrs	Sergeant	H7
10.7	Mr	Wearing	S11
10.8	Mrs	Wainwright	DT3
10.9	Mrs	Thompson	E12
10.10	Miss	Lane	E8

YEAR 11			
CCTL	Mrs	Patton	
ACCTL	Mr	Lumley	
11.01	Miss	Morgan	E13
11.2	Mr	Brooks	M13
11.3	Mr	Falkiner	IT12
11.4	Miss	Worrall	M8
11.5	Miss	Roscoe	M7
11.6	Miss	Rodgers	E14
11.7	Mr	Mann	ML6
11.8	Mr	Scully	DT12
11.9	Miss	Fretwell	H8
11.10	Mrs	Chambers	E2