



October 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

### College Uniform and PE Kit

We would like to start by congratulating our students for looking so smart in their full college uniform this term and to thank you for ensuring they arrive to College in appropriate uniform every day.

### Change to the wearing of PE kit

From **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November** we expect students to wear full College uniform on the days they have PE and to bring their Minsthorpe PE kit in their bag to change into. The same applies for students taking part in extra-curricular activities.

As you are aware, we introduced the wearing of PE kit on PE lesson days when we returned to College in September 2020, as the PE changing rooms were closed due to the pandemic last academic year. We continued with this expectation this September because we are awaiting the rebuilding of our College PE block. Unfortunately, this is progressing more slowly than we expected and we do not yet have a start date for the building work.

In addition, the weather is getting colder and many students do not have Minsthorpe branded PE joggers and hoodies to keep them warm during the day. Furthermore, wearing PE kit throughout the day limits some sports, such as rugby, on wet days.

We trust you will understand our rationale and thank you for ensuring that your child wears full College uniform every day and packs their PE kit on PE lesson days.

### Uniform reminders

We would like to take this opportunity to give a few key reminders regarding College uniform.

- A College tie in the appropriate colour must be worn at all times.
- Students may wear makeup of a reasonable/modest nature.
- False nails are banned as they are unsafe and impractical.
- Students may wear one small pair of studs in the ear lobes. No other piercings, including nose studs, or other jewellery are allowed.

We remind you that students must wear full uniform to go into mainstream lesson. As always, we are happy to lend clean uniform and/or PE kit if a child forgets specific items or if a family is unable to buy the necessary items. All borrowed items of uniform and PE kit are washed between uses. We ask you to contact the College via the Gateway app or by email [enquiries@minsthore.cc](mailto:enquiries@minsthore.cc) if we can support you or your child with uniform.

Yours sincerely

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