



8th January 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Spring Term 2024 – Welcome from the Principals

We would like to start this letter by wishing you and your families a very Happy New Year.

January 2024 marks the next stage of construction work on the College site. The following changes will affect the students:

- The English block will be out of use.
- The English classrooms and the PE changing rooms will move to the modular classrooms next to the astroturf.
- The Carnegie Dining Area will reopen.
- There will be a new walkway up from the Science & DT Block.

Start of Term – January 2024

Staff are on site today (Monday 8th January) ensuring that all areas of the College are safe for students to use when we reopen to everyone tomorrow. **The Spring Term will start for all year groups at the normal time of 8:25am on Tuesday 9th January 2024.**

Change to the entrance gate for Year 9 from January 2024

Due to the construction work in the English Block, the entrance gate for Year 9 will be via the Post 16 gate at the bottom of site. Other year groups will enter through their normal gates. Year 8 will be directed to their new line up area next to the Carnegie Block.

Extended P&A Time on Tuesday 9th January 2024

It is important that all students understand the changes to the College site. To support them, there will be an extended P&A Time on Tuesday morning, when students will be given the following important information:

- An explanation of the revised one-way system
- Clear expectations about routines at snack break in the new dining areas
- A new timetable (with room changes)

Please reassure your child that staff will be on hand to support them with the changes. That said, it is vital that all students follow our BE FAIR Everywhere expectations to ensure the wellbeing and safety of everyone on site.

Safe use of car parks

We understand that the construction work is causing congestion in the College car parks and bus park. Please can we ask you to avoid using these areas, if at all possible? If you need to use the car parks, please do so with extreme caution and be mindful of other users. In particular, please take care when entering the lower car park, as Year 9 students will be accessing the site in this area.

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Final Word

We are looking forward to welcoming the students back tomorrow and to another successful and exciting term for everyone at Minsthorpe Community College. We thank you for your ongoing support for your child's education.

Yours sincerely

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Principal

Mrs R. Merritt
Principal

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