



June 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

### Sports Day – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2026

We are looking forward to our annual Sports Day on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2026. We would like to ask for your support in ensuring that your child comes prepared to get maximum enjoyment out of the day.

#### Guidance for students in Year 7, 8 and 9

- The start and finish times of the college day will remain the same.
- Students should come to college in their Minsthorpe PE kit.
- They should come prepared for all weather possibilities, bringing sun cream, a water bottle, a waterproof top, an umbrella, a towel and two spare kits.
- Students should bring something in their P&A colour to change into for the afternoon.

For the events in the afternoon, students in Years 7 – 9 are asked simply to wear a colour to match the rest of their P&A group. We do not encourage families to spend money on fancy dress outfits.

#### Guidance for students in Year 10 – It's a Knockout!

- The start and finish times of the college day will remain the same.
- Students should come to college in their outfit for the day.
- They should come prepared for all weather possibilities, bringing sun cream, a water bottle, a waterproof top, a towel and two spare outfits.

#### Guidance for Post 16 Students – Study Day

- Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July is part of the Post 16 Work Experience week, and so students should be at their placement. If this is not the case and students wish to study on site, they need to sign in and out at the Post 16 Study Centre.

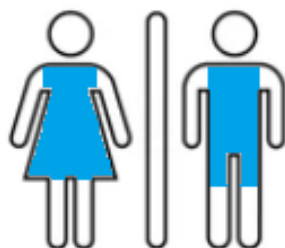
Many students in Year 7, 8, and 9 have expressed an interest in applying face paint in the afternoon, as have Year 10. **If you do not wish your child to apply face paint, please inform College via the Arbor app or enquiries@minsthorpe.cc.** Please ensure that if your child is intending to apply face paint that they are not allergic to it and that it is non-permanent. If you are not certain, then please inform your child not to apply it. In line with the ban on aerosols in college, **under no circumstances may students use hairspray.**

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Please can we ask for your support in ensuring that Year 10 outfits and Year 7, 8 and 9 afternoon kit are **appropriate and safe for physical activity in a college environment**? Any student wishing to wear a 'morph suit', as part of their fancy dress must wear a pair of shorts over the top. In addition, very short shorts and very cropped tops are not appropriate for a Sports Day. Please see the diagram which shows the areas which need to be covered.



Students must remove all jewellery in the interests of health and safety. You are reminded that this is an event for students only. For safeguarding reasons, parents/other adults will not be allowed to spectate.

### Attendance Matters

We are delighted with the overall improvement in attendance this year. Sports Day is a normal day in terms of attendance and any unauthorised absence will be followed up in the usual manner. Our Sports Day is inclusive, and we want everyone to enjoy being with their friends and teachers. If your child does not wish to take part in the sporting activities, please contact their Year Office as other arrangements can be made.

Sports Day will be our third Recognition Day of the year, when all students will receive a 'sweet treat' for attending and being part of the day.

We can't wait for next Friday to arrive, as Sports Day is always a day to remember! Thank you for your support with the above arrangements. This is our opportunity for staff and students to celebrate another successful year at Minsthorpe Community College.

Yours sincerely

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