



June 2026

Dear Parent/Carer,

### Open Day at The Academy of Live Technology Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2026 - Expression of Interest

I am writing to inform you of an intended visit to The Academy of Live Technology at the Production Park, South Kirkby, WF9 3NR, for students to enquire about potential future careers in the creative arts on **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2026**.

#### Details of visit

The visit involves a 30-minute walk each way from College to the Production Park. Students will remain supervised at all times and are expected to behave appropriately as representatives of Minsthorpe Community College. The visit will begin with students meeting in Room C2 at 10:20am, departing at 10:30am, and returning to College at approximately 2:30pm, after which students will be dismissed as usual.

Students will take part in an educational visit to the Academy of Live Technology at Production Park in South Kirkby, a world-class facility used for the development and rehearsal of large-scale live events, including concerts, tours, and media productions. The purpose of the visit is to give students an insight into the music, events, and creative industries, and to explore further educational pathways linked to their studies.

On arrival, students will be welcomed by staff from the Academy of Live Technology and will receive an introduction to the campus and the courses available, including areas such as Live Events Production, Stage and Production Management, Lighting, Visual Design, and Creative Technologies. These courses are designed to prepare students for careers in the live events and music industry.

Students will then take part in a guided tour of the Production Park site, where they will visit up to six specialist studios (subject to availability). These studios are used by major touring artists and production companies to rehearse concerts and develop live shows, giving students a real-world understanding of how large-scale productions are created.

Following the tour, students will have a break for lunch. All students must bring a packed lunch for the visit. If your child is entitled to free school meals, please inform the College in advance so that suitable arrangements can be made prior to the visit. After lunch, students will take part in a question and answer session and interactive quiz, allowing them to reflect on what they have learnt, and ask further questions about careers and courses within the industry.

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This will be an exciting opportunity for your child to learn about potential job roles in the Creative industries.

Please give consent for your son/daughter to attend the visit via School Gateway App/text in to college giving consent by **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2026**.

This trip is only open to Year 10 Music and Drama students with 'good' or 'outstanding' in their College report.

At all times prior to the departure of the trip, the College reserves the right to review the placement of any student dependent upon their behaviour, attendance and health.

If you require further details, please do not hesitate to contact Miss Davis.

Yours sincerely,

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Miss E Davis  
Music Teacher

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