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29th August 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome Back from the Principals

We hope this letter finds you and your families well. If you follow the College on social media, you will know that Minsthorpe has had a successful summer. We were delighted with the results achieved by our Post 16, Year 11 and Year 10 students. The results represent the impressive commitment of the young people and our staff, as well as the support from you as parents/carers.

Arrangements for Wednesday 6th September 2023 – First Day of the New Term for all students

The following arrangements are in place to allow the new Year 7 cohort to be the only students onsite in the morning and to allow all students to have the information they need for a successful start to the new academic year.

Year 7 - Wednesday 6th September 2023

Year 7 students must queue up and enter via the English gate next to the Bus Park at front of college. Staff will be on hand on the Bus Park to guide students in the right direction.

Time:	Session:	Year Group:	Venue:
8:15 – 8:30	Arrival of Y7 students through their designated entrance gate & into the Main Hall	Year 7	Entrance Gate/Main Hall
8:30-11:30	Main Hall assembly to P&A time	Year 7	P&A Bases
10:40-11:10	Year 7 assembly	Year 7	Main Hall
11:30 – 12:00	Snack Break	Year 7	Y7 dining area
12:00 – 14:25	P&A time	Year 7	P&A Bases

Year 8-11 – Wednesday 6th September 2023

Year 8 – 11 students must queue up and enter via their designated gates. They must **not** congregate on Minsthorpe Lane. If you wish your child to start at the normal start time of 8.30am on Wednesday 6th September, please contact the College and arrangements can be made.

Time:	Session:	Year Group:	Venue:
12.20-12.50	Optional Snack Break If students wish to come onto site at 12.20pm to eat lunch, they may. Students need to order lunch in the normal way.	Y8-11	Designated eating & social areas
12.40- 12.50	Arrival of Y8, Y9, Y10 & Y11 students at their designated gates	Y8-11	Designated gate
12.50-14.30	P&A time & assemblies for Y9 / 10 / 11	Y8-11	P&A Bases

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Post 16 – Wednesday 6th September 2023

Time:	Session:	Year Group:	Venue:
11.45-12.15	Timetable & lanyard collection	Post 16	P16 Block
12.15-12.45	P16 briefing	Post 16	Main Hall

All student in Y7 – Y13 will follow their normal College timetable from Thursday 7th September 2023.

Change to the College start time from Thursday 7th September 2023

We would like to remind you of our **new start time**.

08:15 Students may start queuing at their gates.

08:25 Movement Bell

08:30 Gate closes (Students late)

Uniform Expectations

We are proud of how smart our students look in their uniform and thank you for your support with this. We would like to be clear about the following expectations:

- No extreme hairstyles.
- No false eyelashes or eyelash extensions.
- No false nails.

We return to normal uniform in the Autumn Term and all students in Years 7 – 11 must wear a blazer.

Building Work

You will have seen that work has begun to replace the old PE gym at the front of site. In addition, the Carnegie Block is closed for improvement work. Essentially, there is a construction site in the middle of College. You can be assured that we have put plans in place to ensure the safety of students and staff during this programme of work. Please remind your child that they need to follow all BE FAIR expectations to keep themselves and others safe. As construction vehicles will be driving into the main car park, please instruct your child not to walk across the car park. Please avoid driving onto site.

Due to the construction work, Year 9 will enter college via the door into the English Block at the top of site, <u>not</u> by the Post 16 block.

Final Word

We appreciate that this letter includes lots of information. If you have any questions, please contact the College via School Gateway or email enquires@minsthorpe.cc.

We look forward to welcoming the students back next Wednesday.

Yours sincerely

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