

Parents' and Carers' NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to Kirklees College

At Kirklees College, our mission is simple but powerful: to create opportunities and change lives. We do this by providing high-quality teaching, support, and facilities that help you progress into further training, employment, or higher education.

Our values of Kindness, Unity and Excellence are at the heart of everything we do. Together, we create a culture of high aspiration that inspires our students to succeed and reach their full potential.

As a uniquely vocational college, we are proud to offer a wide range of programmes for young people aged 16+. From full-time courses to apprenticeships and T Levels, we are here to ensure all our students achieve the best results possible and achieve their aspirations.

As parents and carers, we welcome you to our **#KCCCommunity** and can't wait to see where your young person's journey takes them.



Palvinder Singh
Principal and Chief Executive

ABC Pledge

At Kirklees College, all students are expected to adhere to our ABC pledge: Attend, Behave, Commit:

- Attend, on time, all their timetabled learning activities
- Consistently behave in line with our values: Kindness, Unity and Excellence
- Fully commit and be prepared to engage in their learning

Please support your young person in remembering this pledge and fully engaging with their college education to ensure they succeed.



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Parent Portal

Parent Portal is our dedicated area for parent / carers to monitor how their young person is doing.

You will have received a link via the email address provided at enrolment by your young person, but you can also [click here](#) to log in, and we recommend saving the login page to your browser. You can view your young person's timetable on there and monitor their progress.

If they are struggling to settle into their course, please encourage them to speak to someone in their department. This is not uncommon at the start of the term and the team will be able to work with them and look at alternative courses if needed.

If you haven't received a link then you just need to email mystudentsupport@kirkleescollege.ac.uk and you will be sent log on details.



Key Dates

Half-term Monday 27 October - Friday 31 October 2025

Term ends Friday 19 December 2025

Exam Support Deadline

The deadline for submitting applications for exam concessions and support is **Friday 31 October 2025**. If your young person has not already received confirmation that their exam arrangements have been put in place, please encourage them to speak to one of their tutors to ensure that the appropriate support is arranged before the deadline.

Celebrating Student Success this Summer

This year was one of our most successful yet when it comes to our Level 3 and T Level results, as we celebrated an outstanding 95% pass rate. This includes a 94% pass rate on BTEC Level 3 qualifications, 91% pass rate for all Level 3 students and an incredible 98% pass rate on Access courses.

We're also proud to share that 40 Level 3 courses achieved a pass rate of over 95%, with 16 of these reaching 100%. This is a true testament to the hard work, talent, and determination of our students, and the dedication of our amazing staff.

MIMO

MIMO stands for 'Miss It Miss Out' and is our absence reporting system at Kirklees College.

If your young person can't attend, please notify the college:

Text: 07860 097457

Email: studentabsence@kirkleescollege.ac.uk

Using **ONE** of the Text **BUZZ** words above, send your text using this format: **MEDICAL(space)enrolment number**
Example: **MEDICAL 110275**

SICK

When you are unwell

STUCK

Problems with getting to college due to transport

MEDICAL

Doctor, hospital, dental appointments

FORMAL

NUS business, probation, court appearance, job interview

LATE

If you are delayed coming into college

RESPECT

Bereavement/ Funeral of close family member

Calling all Parents / Carers - are you also a local employer? Kirklees College wants to work with you!

Kirklees College works with over 1,000 employers on a local and national scale to offer the next generation amazing opportunities through apprenticeships and work placement. If you own or work for a business in West Yorkshire that is looking for fresh talent and wants to help shape futures, get in touch to see how our team can help you.

To find out more, visit the [Employers](#) page on the website.

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Parents and Carers Evenings

Throughout the year you will be invited to Parent / Carer evenings at the college to meet your young person's tutors and discuss their progress. The first Parent and Carer evening of the year is taking place within the first six weeks of term. This will be an in-person event and you will be receiving an invite from your young person's curriculum area soon with further details.



Student Support

We recently produced a college Student Support guide for students and parents / carers to access all the information you need about student support at college. Whether that's mental health, wellbeing, financial or study support, you can find all the information you need to help your young person access the assistance they need.

 [Click here to download your copy.](#)

Get Involved in the KC Community!

We want to hear from you!

Have you had positive experiences with Kirklees College? If you have, we would love to hear from you! Parent profiles are a great tool for us to be able to tell prospective parents / carers about what people who have been in their situation have to say. If you would like to let us know please fill in **this form**. If you do fill in this form, we may use your answers online on our website and social media as promotion.



Student Finance Reminder

Kirklees College offers a range of support funds to help students overcome any financial problems that may prevent them from studying.

Costs such as travel or meals may stop some students from joining or continuing a course or programme.

Please encourage your young person to visit Student Services at their centre of study to get advice on financial matters and help with applying for any available grants or funding.

16 – 19 Bursary Fund

The 16 - 19 Bursary Fund provides Student Finance to help students overcome specific financial barriers to help them remain in education.

Support is available to students in the following three categories:

- Students aged under 19 in receipt of Universal Credit, who are in care or are a care leaver, or in receipt of certain disability benefits
- Students with a household income of under £35,000
- Students with a household income of over £35,000, who demonstrate that money will be a barrier to completing their studies

We also offer support with travel costs if you live over a mile from your young person's centre of study and qualify for financial assistance. We can provide eligible students with a monthly bus ticket on the MCard app, or a contribution towards the cost of alternative means of travel. If your young person lives within one mile of college but has a medical condition or care commitments, they may still be eligible for travel cost support which our team will discuss with them.