

30 September 2024

Dear Students, Parents and Carers,

I'm writing to update you on the Maths and English element of your/your young person's study programme. This academic year we have seen approximately 20% growth in our numbers. As an inclusive college, many of these additional learners require Maths and English alongside their study programme.

This has created some logistical challenges for us, which we have been working hard to resolve. We are aware that a small number of young people have had to change groups, have had large class sizes, or have had timetable clashes.

We are pleased to say that these issues are now resolved, and we expect all students to have their English and Maths lessons as planned on their updated timetables from next week. The College app, 'OSC Connect' allows students to see their up-to-date timetables. Parents and Carers can support by reminding students to access and view their timetables. We will also continue to have a staff presence at Reception for students with any timetable queries.

From **Monday 30th September**, we will begin calculating register marks and monitoring attendance closely. It is essential that students attend all scheduled Maths and English lessons from this date onward, as attendance will directly impact on their achievement of these qualifications. It may seem strange to say, but we have less than 30 teaching weeks until GCSE exams in May!

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation. If you have any questions regarding the timetable or any other concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your curriculum administrator, details are below:

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Yours faithfully



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Copied to Parents/Carers of students aged under 18