

# **Welcome Pack for Looked After Young People**

**2025/2026**



# Welcome

## Here to support you

For those of you who are new to Chesterfield College, we would like to offer a very warm welcome. To those returning, welcome back.

We feel excited and privileged that you have chosen us to support you with the next steps in your education and learning journey.

We understand that this can be a scary time, and we will do our very best to provide the support you need to thrive during your time with us, and help you get the most out of your college experience.

We want you to have the best chance to grow, progress and succeed socially, emotionally and academically, helping you to be the very best version of yourself.

College is a supportive and nurturing environment, where your needs, concerns and views are always heard.



**Inspiring futures**  
*changing lives*

## Personal Education and Training Plan (PETP)

All young people in care have a PETP that ensures you have everything you need throughout your time at College to support your learning, progression and goals.

We are committed to working together with other agencies to ensure that you feel safe and supported through your learner journey.

Your PETP meetings are held 2-3 times a year and other key professionals involved in your care will attend. Within this meeting we will:

- Talk about your academic journey to date including your views.
- Celebrate successes and achievements.
- Identify any support or interventions you may need.
- Set targets.
- Discuss and prepare for next steps.

## Bursary and Financial Support

A bursary is financial support provided to students to help them pay for things such as:

- Travel
- Uniform
- Kit/tools
- Materials
- Free meals
- Trips/residentials

You will need to apply for Bursary and your Social Worker will need to provide a supporting letter confirming your status as a Looked After Young Person.

For more information about Bursaries and how to apply, visit Student Services in C007. Or visit the bursary page [on the college website](#).

## Personal Development Curriculum

At Chesterfield College, your studies are just one part of your student experience. Your curriculum will include tutorials to support your personal development, such as career guidance and skills for life. This will include Wellbeing and Resilience.

Safeguarding run regular Awareness Days, throughout the year, on important topics and themes. Follow the college Instagram @chesterfieldac for events, information and safeguarding updates.

We have a range of exciting programmes and extra-curricular activities and clubs on offer for you. You can speak to your Personal Development Coach, refer to the chalkboard in the Heartspace, or keep an eye on the TV screens around college for more information.

### 2025/2026 Term Dates

- Monday 15th September 2025 - Friday 24th October 2025
- Monday 3rd November 2025 - Friday 19th December 2025
- Monday 5th January 2026 - Friday 13th February 2026
- Monday 23rd February 2026 - Friday 27th March 2026
- Monday 13th April 2026 - Friday 22nd May 2026
- Monday 1st June 2026 - Friday 3rd July 2026

### Bank Holidays (college and the Safeguarding office will be closed)

- Friday 3rd April 2026
- Monday 6th April 2026
- Monday 4th May 2026
- Monday 25th May 2026

## The Wellbeing Hub

The Wellbeing Hub is a quiet, relaxing and safe space in college where you can find out more about the support available to you both within college and externally. The Wellbeing Hub is on the ground floor of South Block, just before the lifts.

The Safeguarding Team are based in the Wellbeing Hub for safeguarding support including advice, guidance, and signposting. The SEND Team is also based in the Wellbeing Hub for any queries regarding additional education support, adjustment permits and exam arrangements.

This is a quiet space, for anyone who needs a calm environment, or to take a short time-out to regulate themselves. All students must sign in and out.

For safeguarding and wellbeing advice and support there is a suite of resources including information and signposting available on the VLE, [Wellbeing Hub Online](#).

## Personal Development Coach and Personal Tutors

Your Personal Development Coach and Personal Tutor, from your academic area, will support you to empower your;

- Life skills
- Wellbeing and Resilience
- Citizenship and Social Action skills
- Money Management skills
- Digital skills
- Inclusivity
- Job Prospects
- Learning Journey

You will meet your Personal Development Coach and Personal Tutor as part of the induction programme.

Your Personal Development Coach will be your first point of contact for any concerns you may have.





## Your Student Checklist

Your student number .....

Your student email .....

Applied for your bursary?

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Collected lanyard and student ID?

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Accessed the VLE?

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## Your Key Contacts

Personal Tutor .....

Vocational Lead .....

Curriculum Manager .....

Personal Development Coach .....

Safeguarding advocate .....

Designated Teacher          Sally Smith

To speak to Safeguarding,  
please come to the  
Wellbeing Hub or



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## SITE MAP



