

26th June 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

As many of you will know, Mike Kilbride announced in April that he will be stepping down as Principal at the end of this academic year to focus solely on his role as CEO of the BEPART Educational Trust. I am therefore delighted to introduce myself as the new Principal of Birkenhead Sixth Form College from September.

I joined the College in 2012 as Head of Psychology and, after a successful four years in that role, was promoted to Assistant Principal. Shortly afterwards, I became Deputy Principal, working closely alongside Mike for the past nine years. During this time, the College has enjoyed a period of significant success and growth. Our students achievements and experiences at the College have firmly established us as the leading post-16 provider in the area.

Having been part of the College's leadership team throughout this period of success, I know what it has taken to create the environment in which our students flourish. I am committed to ensuring that those same ingredients remain firmly in place for the future.

For many young people, the summer period is an important time to reflect on their next steps and make decisions about their future. Choosing to move from the familiarity of school to a sixth form College can feel like a big step, and for some it is undoubtedly a brave one. However, time and again I have seen how that decision can be transformative. Students arrive with different school experiences, backgrounds and aspirations, but through the opportunities, support and challenges they encounter here, they grow into mature, considerate and successful young adults who are ready to make their mark on the world.

I will be sharing more details about the transition from school to College at our forthcoming **Parent Information Evening** on Monday 29 June. I hope many of you will be able to join us. If you haven't already booked your place, you can do so here: <https://www.bsfc.ac.uk/parent-information-event>. Please be assured we've checked the World Cup schedule and made sure it doesn't clash with any England matches!

In the meantime, I hope you and your families have a wonderful summer break. I look forward to seeing many of you at enrolment and also to welcoming new students to the College in September.

Yours sincerely,

Rob Myatt
Principal
Birkenhead Sixth Form College