

INDEPENDENT LEARNING HUBS

From September you'll notice that the dedicated study spaces around College are more easily identifiable. These Independent Learning Hubs will provide a dedicated space for quiet study, and you will be able to use any of the dedicated areas across College as none of these will be linked to particular subject areas. New displays in these areas will share ideas to support your independent learning, including some great free apps and resources that help you to excel in your studies.



PASSWORD SECURITY

A number of you will have received an email advising that you need to change your College password so that it is secure. If you haven't done this, when you next log in to College systems you will be asked to input a secure password before you are able to proceed. Strong password criteria includes:

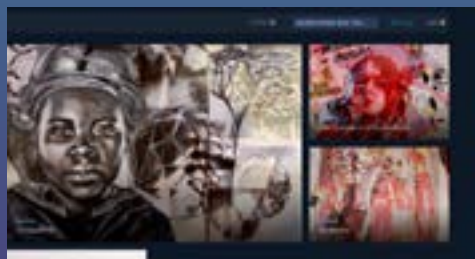
- Use a mix of characters and uppercase and lowercase letters
- Don't use your name
- Not a repeat of a previously used password
- Must be at least 8 characters long

Remember, never share your passwords.

FAKE NEWS: ONLINE EXHIBITION

Recently we took part in the Sixth Form College's Association's online art exhibition reflecting on the topic of 'Fake News'. This national exhibition showcases the work of young people from across the UK, and the work of five of our students features in this. There are some fantastic and thought provoking pieces to enjoy and we'd encourage you to take a look here: www.sixthformcolleges.org/1551/sfca-art-exhibition-2021-fake-news

Don't forget that the HNC Enrichment platform has plenty of ways you can get creative this summer - Creative Kirklees are also running some fantastic workshops!



YOUR FILES

All College devices including iMacs and MacBooks will be wiped as usual this summer so please ensure any files saved locally on these devices are backed up, or saved to your OneDrive.

We recommend you check if you have any files saved in this way. Please note that once this process takes place we will be unable to recover any old files.

HAPPY SUMMER!

Friday 2nd July is the last day of term for our Year 12 students. We hope you have a fantastic summer break, and a well deserved rest after a busy year.

We have lots planned for your return including a brand new programme of enrichment! Look out for details on your return.

New timetables will be available to view on CEDAR from Friday 3rd September (after 3pm). Please do ensure you check this ahead of your return on Monday 6th September.



SUPPORTING YOU

If you need any support over the summer holidays, the following organisations can be contacted:

For mental health support text 'SHOUT' to 85258 or visit www.kooth.com or www.youngminds.org.uk

For bereavement support visit www.cruse.org.uk

For sexual health support visit www.locala.org.uk/services/sexual-health

For eating & nutritional support visit www.beateatingdisorders.org.uk



STAY SAFE

Inform IT Support by phone or ticket (NOT Email) if you suspect your College account has been compromised and change your password immediately. If it's your personal account that has been affected then follow the steps here: <https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/guidance/recovering-a-hacked-account>

DID YOU KNOW?

Our facilities such as the Sports Hall and football pitches are available to hire at competitive rates during evenings and weekends. If you play for a local team, why not let them know? Visit <https://tinyurl.com/vcywy9r6>

