



17 September 2021

Dear Parent / Carer

## OPENING EVENING – THURSDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 2021, 6.00 – 8.00 PM

I am keenly aware that, due to Coronavirus, some of you may never have stepped foot on South Dartmoor Community College site nor met any of your child's teachers face to face. Equally, I have been in post for 12 months now and have yet to meet many parents. For that reason, I am cordially inviting you to come to our Open Evening on Thursday 23 September to compensate for missing it last year.

The evening starts at 6.00 pm and ends at 8.00 pm. I will be giving three talks throughout the evening but I would ask that if you are interested in attending one of these, that you come to either the 6.30 pm or the 7.00 pm one please. Capacity in the Hall is limited to 100 due to Coronavirus measures so, if we reach capacity, I would ask you kindly to have a wander around school instead and come back for a later talk. If there is demand, I will talk again at 7.30 pm.

Parking will be at Place Lane car park and you will be guided round to the front of school through our main Reception in the Atrium, where you will be welcomed and given a leaflet to help you navigate around the various activities taking place on site. Many students are coming back to help for the evening, so it may well be that your son/daughter will tell you exactly where they would like you to go first! It is a short walk from the car park to main Reception so, if the weather is inclement, an umbrella may be wise. There is limited parking at the front of school for those who need easier access.

The evening will be an opportunity for you to put faces to names and get a feel for where your child spends his/her days. It will not be possible to discuss your child's progress or any element of how they are settling in, although if you would like to do so I would ask that you contact Mr Fuller ([bfuller@southdartmoor.devon.sch.uk](mailto:bfuller@southdartmoor.devon.sch.uk)) who will happily arrange a meeting or phone call the day after the Open Evening. There will also be a formal opportunity to meet tutors to talk about your child at our 'Settling-in' evening on Thursday 21 October.

I am delighted to be opening up the school to the community after such a long period of time when we have not been able to do so. I look forward to welcoming any of you who would like to come on Thursday.

Best wishes

**Mrs Jen Veal**  
Executive Head teacher