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Dear Parents/Carers,

As you will be aware, Irlam & Cadishead College always likes to support students, staff and the wider community when it comes to raising money for charities that are important to the people who are close to us. For this reason we have decided to hold a charity day in College on **Friday, 25th May, 2018** which will be called: **“Wear Your Colours to School Day”**.

This day will be in support of three charities: **The Irlam and Cadishead Food Bank**, which is a local charity to the College and we feel it right to give back to the community we live and work in.

The Brain Tumour Charity: This is a charity that is very close to Miss A Aveyard (Head of Science) as in 2014 a very close family member was affected by an inoperable brain tumour. Miss Aveyard has since strived to raise money to help with research into the causes and treatments of brain tumours. She will be running the Manchester 10K this weekend to help raise as much money and awareness as possible.

We are also going to support: **The OddBalls Foundation**, which is a charity that raises awareness of testicular cancer in boys and men through making this a topic that men talk about more freely. This, as many of you will know, is the charity that Mr C Wright (teacher of Geography) has done a lot of fundraising for as he was diagnosed with the illness two years ago. He has taken part in many fundraising events, including cycling to Amsterdam over the May half term holiday this year.

On **Friday, 25th May, 2018** we would like students to come into College wearing ‘a shirt for something they support’ as the top half of their uniform **instead** of the usual shirt, tie, jumper and blazer; this could be a Manchester United football shirt, New York Yankees t-shirt, a dance troop polo shirt or hooded top or anything that they support. Students are requested to make a minimum donation of £1 to do this. Please be aware that this is **not** a non-uniform day, we will expect students to still arrive into College wearing the rest of their stipulated College uniform (i.e. black trousers, black skirts, black footwear).

Important Notice – As there is an External GCSE Examination on the morning of Friday, 25th May, 2018, all Year 11 students involved in the examination MUST wear their full College uniform for the duration of the examination. However, once these students have been dismissed from their examination, they may change into their chosen top for the remainder of the day.

As well as **“Wear Your Colours to School Day”** there will be the opportunity to buy cakes, ice pops and ice creams at break and lunchtime. There will also be wrist bands, pin badges and other smaller activities that students can get involved in throughout day.

We hope that everyone will get involved and that we can raise as much money as possible for these three worthy and deserving charities.

Thank you for your on-going support.

Yours faithfully,

Mr C Wright,
Teacher of Geography