

Our Ref: THO/JBR

18th July, 2018



Dear Parent/Carer,

As we come to the end of another year, we have much to celebrate. We have been busy with Sports Day, Year 6 Transition Days, Rewards Trips and Residential Visits, including our trips to Krakow, London, Chester and Wales to name just a few. I would like to thank the cast and crew for a marvellous production of 'Beauty and the Beast' and praise them for their dedication and inspirational performances. Congratulations must go to all our winners, competitors and the P.E. department for a wonderful Sports Day. This emphasis on having a balance between academic and social development is essential if we are to guide our young people towards a well-rounded, active, adult life.

In September we welcome Year 7, our largest year group cohort who will begin their five year journey with us. We look forward to helping them to believe in their dreams whether these are academic, artistic, dramatic or sporting. The two Induction Days have given our new Year 7 cohort a really good start to life at Irlam & Cadishead College (ICC).

Some staff who have been here on fixed term contracts will be leaving us, and whilst we are sad to say goodbye to Mr Ralph, who has been with us for 12 years and Mrs Sanderson for 15 years, we are pleased to welcome new colleagues to Maths, Science and M.F.L. It is pleasing to confirm that the College is now fully staffed for September 2018.

As part of our school improvement journey, all students will be streamed according to ability and due to this, there are some changes to Form Classes and Form Teachers. Your child will receive a copy of their 2018-2019 timetable prior to the summer holiday.

Please also note that there will be some changes to our behaviour system. These changes are being implemented so that all students have the opportunity to achieve their potential. At ICC, most students' behaviour is excellent but on occasions, the hard work of our students and staff can be undermined by low level disruption, defiance and unacceptable behaviour. This has an impact on everybody. Students who do not adhere to our high standards, including wearing the correct uniform will stay at the end of the day for a detention. Any student who refuses to attend detention, or disrupts a detention will, the next day be placed in Internal Exclusion (IE) and will work in this provision until 4.00 p.m. If a student refuses to go into Internal Exclusion or fails to follow routines in this provision, they will be Fixed Term Excluded. Parents/Carers will be contacted and asked to collect their child. Students returning from Fixed Term Exclusion must attend a reintegration meeting with their parent/carer and will subsequently complete a day in IE. Once established, a second phase of the policy will be launched later in the Autumn Term.

The College will of course continue to reward students who consistently demonstrate good behaviour and positive attitudes to learning. We have introduced the 'star awards' this year and many students wear these 'stars' with pride which is lovely to see.

I am pleased to inform you that the re-brokering is progressing well and that United Learning (UL) are looking forward to working with our College next academic year. With this in mind, UL have asked that we schedule in an **extra staff planning day on Wednesday, 5th September, 2018**. This now means that the return date for students will be as below:

- Year 7 students return at 8.30 a.m. on **Thursday, 6th September** and congregate in the Dining Hall.
- Year 8 – Year 11 students return at 9.45 a.m. on **Thursday, 6th September** and go straight to their Form Rooms.

Please note that the College will close for students at 12.30 p.m. on Friday, 20th July, 2018 for the Summer. Lunch will be available for students from 12.05 p.m.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your on-going support throughout this school year and I wish you all a fabulous summer break.

Yours faithfully,

Ms T Holdsworth,
Acting Headteacher