



Our Ref: THO/ASM/JBR

9th July, 2018

Dear Parent/Carer,

RE: UPDATES TO THE ICC UNIFORM

Irlam & Cadishead College takes its role as an educational provider very seriously and we acknowledge that standards in many areas have to improve. There is not one single aspect that can be improved that will make us a good school, but all aspects must be addressed. We have identified that some students have a standard of dress that does not meet expectations and so we are making some amendments to the uniform to help them with this.

Some of you may already be aware that we have been consulting widely on our student's uniform. We are very pleased to announce that this is now complete and we have had a lot of useful feedback from various stakeholders, chiefly our students. We are now able to make minor updates to our uniform rather than any major changes in time for the coming school year. These are:

Skirts

Our staff, students and the community have identified that skirts are a concern, particularly when they are worn short above the knee, of a thin material or are stretchy. As of September 2018, our female students will be required to wear a black pleated skirt. This should be worn to cover the knees and not be worn above. In the interests of uniformity, only the skirt available from our supplier should be worn. Black trousers still remain an option

Neckties

Hundreds of our female students have requested that they be allowed to wear neckties once again. We have also heard from several cohorts of Year 11 students that they would like to be distinguished from younger year groups. With these views in mind, we have opted to introduce a black, red and grey striped necktie for Year 7, Year 8 and Year 9 (lower school), and the current black and red striped necktie will be retained to be worn by Year 10 and Year 11 students (upper school). The grey stripe has been included as a 'nod' to the former Irlam & Cadishead Community High School's necktie. Feedback from the students about this design has been very positive and they are looking forward to wearing it.

Both of these uniform items will be available from our uniform supplier, Banner Schoolwear.

If you require any further details then please do get in touch via our Reception.

Yours faithfully,

Ms T Holdsworth,
Acting Headteacher

Mr A Smith,
Extramural Officer