

# PREPARING FOR ICKNIELD HIGH SCHOOL





## Dear Future Student & Parents

This guide has been put together to help you prepare for starting Ickniel High School.

**We use our website and email as the main form of communication with our students and parents. Please ensure you read everything under the Transition tab before you start with us.**

### WE EXPECT

- Students to be punctual to school and lessons;
- Students to have the correct uniform worn smartly;
- Students to carry a school bag containing a refillable water bottle, a pencil case with the correct equipment and a reading book;
- Students to behave in a respectful manner towards everyone they come into contact with at school and when travelling to and from school wearing our uniform;
- Students to be the best at all times, both in and out of lessons - aim for EXCELLENCE!

We look forward to welcoming you when you join us,

The Transition Team



## **TRAVELLING TO ICKNIELD HIGH SCHOOL**

When you with us at Icknield you may have to get yourself to school, and we would recommend that most students are doing this by the end of their first term with us. This helps keep the traffic down on Riddy Lane and you can make sure you arrive on time.

You should be in the school buildings for 8.20 and **MUST NOT** be late, the school buildings and LRC are open from 8am, and we have a breakfast club if you need it, open from 7.45am.

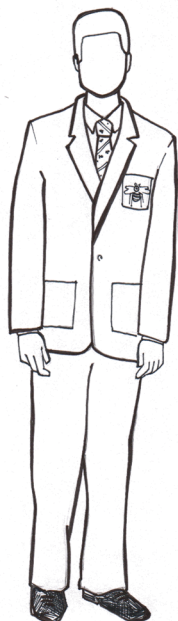
Most students live in catchment so walking or cycling would be the best option. We recommend that you link up with other students coming to Icknield and walk/cycle with them.

Bicycles should be parked by main Reception and secured with a good lock (please note these are left at the owners risk).

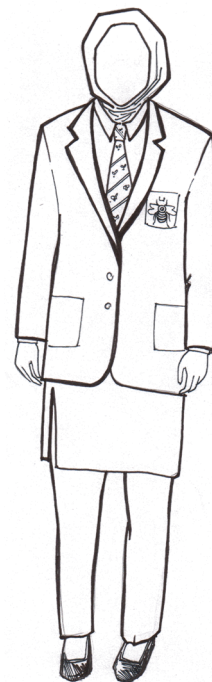
We strongly advise that you practise and time your route before you start so that you know you will be on time, students who are persistently late will receive a sanction.

Please note that if you are travelling by car, Riddy Lane gets very congested from 8am and can lead to you being late which will in turn lead to a sanction. Traffic is particularly bad on days when it is raining so you should leave home earlier than usual —**we have very high expectations on punctuality.**

## SCHOOL UNIFORM



- Plain medium grey trousers (not dark and not black) or skirt (for girls). Trousers should be full length and not excessively oversized or skin tight. Skirts should have no slits or decoration of any kind and be reasonably close to the knee in length.
- Plain white traditional school shirt with collar to take a tie;
- Black school blazer with School Badge on top pocket;
- School tie with coloured Year stripe (worn to touch the belt/top of trousers/skirt);
- Plain black leather style shoes. Small ankle boots may be worn but must be inside/underneath trousers, not visible and not worn with skirts. No trainers, sandals, canvas or sling back shoes, sensible heel height only;
- Plain dark or white socks (not patterned or bright) or black tights (no leggings).



### Optional Items

- Plain 'V' neck medium grey pullover (no cardigans);
  - School approved boys head coverings (for example a jooira, phatka, turban, skullcap or topi) which must be black;
  - Medium grey shalwar kameez (for girls);
  - Black, school approved headscarf - lightweight, plain black fabric, worn tucked in to the blazer so that the collar and tie can be clearly seen. This conforms to the health and safety and school requirements. The reason for wearing the headscarf is to preserve modesty, therefore they should not be showing the students hair or neck line. The headscarf/Hijab must not be worn with other scarves underneath, headbands, brooches, shadow stripes, logos, diamantes or tassels.



### IMPORTANT NOTES

- We do not allow extremes of hairstyle (in either length, colour, borders, lines, patterns or decoration) and eyebrow patterns/slits are not allowed.
- Students must not wear jewellery of any kind except a wrist watch and one small pair of plain stud earrings in the ears. Any additional piercings must have a clear retainer in place if required.
- We do not allow any make-up including nail varnish or false nails.
- Facial piercings are not permitted and if required should be a clear retainer should be used.

# SCHOOL UNIFORM PE



- Red Polo Shirt—with school logo
- Plain tracksuit bottoms / black shorts - no piping, stripes, flashes or brand logo
- Red Football/Hockey Socks or White sports socks
- Training shoes with laces and non-marking soles (velcro is not acceptable)
- Shin Pads
- Mouth Guards (gum shields) are strongly recommended for all players at all levels (Rugby & Hockey)
- Football Boots.



***Where an item is described as red it should be Scarlet Red.***

## Optional Items

- Red Tracksuit Top
- Plain Black Tracksuit bottoms
- School Approved Headscarf
- Red 1/4 Zip Fleece
- Red Icknield Logo sports coat

Uniform can be purchased from:

Prestige, Unit 2 Barton Industrial Estate, Barton Le Clay, MK45 4RP, Tel (01582) 883622

[www.prestigedesignwww.co.uk](http://www.prestigedesignwww.co.uk);

Some of our uniform will be available at well-known Supermarkets, Online and other local school uniform suppliers in the community, including second hand suppliers, such as

- Uniformd [www.uniformd.co.uk/icknieldhigh](http://www.uniformd.co.uk/icknieldhigh), and
- the Level Trust [Uniform Exchange | Level Trust](#);

Optional PE items available from:-

<https://icknield-high-school.pendlesportswear.co.uk/kits/football-training-wear/>

## Times of the School Day

**Wear a watch,**



**Be on time.**

- 8.20 - Gates to school locked
- 8.25 - Warning bell - move to Tutor
  
- 8.30 - Bell for Start of Registration
- 8.30 - 9.00 - Tutor Period
  
- 9.00 - 10.00- Period 1
- 10.00 -11.00- Period 2
  
- 11.00 - Break—all students outside
- 11.15 - Warning Bell - move to Period 3
  
- 11.20 - 12.20 - Period 3
- 12.20 - 1.20 - Period 4
  
- 1.20 - Lunch—all students outside
- 2.00 - Warning bell - move to Period 5
  
- 2.10 - 3.10 - Period 5
  
- 3.10 -3.30 - Time which students may be detained in school without prior notification

# PREPARATION FOR HIGH SCHOOL

Icknield High School promotes and encourages reading. We use Accelerated Reader to monitor and assess student reading ages and understanding. Reading as much as possible will help you achieve.



When you arrive you may be tested in some of your subjects or you may sit some CATs tests. These are used to assess where you are at with your learning and what we need to do to support you further.

We use a variety of online resources at High School so it would be beneficial for you to have internet access at home. If you do not have access to the internet, don't worry as you can use the Learning Resource Centre during breaks and after school.

**DODDLE**



**Educake Science**



Finally, you need to ensure you have a suitable place at home to do your homework. This could be a special area in your bedroom or just at a table in a quiet room in your home. Wherever it is, make sure you allocate time each evening when you will do your homework and organise yourself for your next day at school.

## **CHECKLIST**

- I have received a letter confirming my place at Icknield High School
- I have visited the school and met with the Transition Officer, PSO or Pastoral Leader
- My Parents have completed the Essential Details & Permissions Form
- I have a suitable school bag
- I have a refillable water bottle
- I have the correct Icknield Uniform
- I have the correct Icknield PE kit
- I have the expected equipment
- I have a packed lunch (as we use a system called Parent Pay, you will not be able to buy lunch until this is set up)
- I know how I am getting to school
- I am ready for Icknield High School



# ICKNIELD HIGH SCHOOL'S BADGE



We are often asked, why the bee? Above is the crest of the town of Luton, you will see it contains both a beehive and, in the centre, a bee. Students in 1950 decided, as Icknield is part of Luton, to take the bee from the centre of the crest and so it became our symbol.

