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HIGH STANDARDS HIGH ACHIEVERS

Dear Parent/Carer,

**Uniform Alteration**

From September 2018, Ruskin High School uniform is changing. Rest assured, this is only a minor change. The blazer, tie, shirt and shoes remain the same.

The change will be to **skirts** and **trousers**. This will apply to all year groups from September.

Following consultation with Governors and some students, from September 2018 we will move to **charcoal grey trousers** and **skirts**.

Trousers will be school style and school material as is the case now. These can still be purchased from local stores or supermarkets if parents wish. The only change will be the colour. **Black will no longer be worn**. However, we are also offering parents the opportunity to buy trousers direct from school. These trousers are available for both boys and girls in a narrow leg style.

In term of skirts, from September 2018, the **only** skirts that may be worn will be those purchased directly from school. Two skirt styles will be available: pleated and straight in charcoal grey.

Governors and I appreciate that value for money is important. The skirts and school trousers available from school will be priced as follows:

<b>Narrow leg school trousers</b> (boys and girls)	£12 - £14	}	} according to size
<b>Pleated skirt</b>	£15 - £16	}	
<b>Straight skirt</b>	£12 - £14	}	

Having considered carefully, it has been decided that until 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018, parents will have the opportunity to buy one skirt **or** one pair of trousers per student at a fixed price of £8. This will ensure that no parent is disadvantaged price wise due to the alteration that we are making. From the 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018, the prices quoted above will then apply.

Having consulted widely with parents over the last 12 months, we have recognised that black is a fashion colour and that it has posed issues for parents when purchasing uniform. We know that this will resolve this.

In addition, we have invited some students to view and try on the skirts and trousers and they do like the new style. Therefore, we feel that this alteration will be seen positively by students. For example, we have chosen to go with a 20 inch skirt length which is both flattering, professional and acceptable to students.

Thanks you for your support. If you have any queries, please contact us at school.

Yours sincerely

*E. S. Brett*

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Headteacher

**Please note:** the term 'parent' refers to parent/carers throughout this letter.

