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Dear Parent / Carer

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**YEAR 7 TECHNOLOGY**

As part of our efforts to make the DT curriculum as exciting and stimulating as possible we would like to ask you for a voluntary contribution of £13.00 towards the cost of materials and ingredients provided by school. This voluntary contribution covers the cost of all ingredients and packaging required for food and nutrition lessons.

All foods made are either eaten during the lesson as a tasting activity or brought home for you to try.

Pupils will experience a range of materials and projects in Design Technology, including resistant materials, textiles and CAD/CAM.

Under the terms of the 1988 Education Act there is no obligation to provide a voluntary contribution, and no pupil will be omitted from any of the activities. Some financial assistance is available in particular circumstances, please see our charging and remissions policy. However, unless a substantial majority of parents are willing to offer voluntary contributions, we would not be able to offer products of as high a quality as we might wish, and you would have to provide pupils with their own ingredients for food lessons. Currently we are able to buy food in bulk and save parents time and expense by providing the ingredients and containers to bring food home. There is no expectation of a contribution from parents whose children qualify for pupil premium.

**In order to maximise the quality of the practical lessons, I should be grateful if you could pay the £13.00 through Parent Pay no later than Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2024.**

We hope you enjoy the work your children will be bringing home over the next academic year and thank you in anticipation of your support.

Yours sincerely

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