

## **Moat Community College**

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Dear Parent/Carer,

I wish to update you on a concern which was raised with us yesterday, regarding our supply of halal food.

For many years our practice/policy has been to serve:

- HMC food
- Other Halal food which is UK sourced and has the necessary halal certification.

However, a mistake was made with one product. The product was sourced through a British Company, based in Leicestershire; Crowndales. However, upon closer inspection, the origin of the product (minced beef) was German.

The product does have the necessary halal certification but should not have been used as it is not of UK origin. There was a misunderstanding with its order, as it was expected that having been sourced through a British company, it met our requirements. The mistake was made in good faith; the College is strongly committed and dedicated to the agreed food policy.

As soon as this was bought to my attention, immediate action was taken to rectify the situation. We have taken further steps to ensure that we will not source meat products from non-UK origins in the future.

I sincerely apologise for this oversight and want to assure you that all meat products in our kitchen meet the college's halal criteria. We deeply regret any concern this may have caused.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me via the school office.

Yours faithfully

Mr B Killeen

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