

Sandhurst School the opportunity to succeed

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Dear Parent/Carer(s),

Re: Design & Technology Department - Important Information

Students in Years 7, 8 & 9 will over the next school year complete one term of cooking & nutrition and two terms of design & technology.

In design & technology students will have the opportunity to learn about textiles, woods, metals, polymers and card products. They will use a range of machinery including a 3D printer and will design using paper as well as computer programmes. In cooking & nutrition students will learn how to apply the principles of healthy eating and good nutrition as well as develop practical cooking skills.

In terms of equipment, all students will need their basic pencil case contents, as well as coloured pencils and a black fine liner pen. Students must also provide their own apron, as we can no longer use the shared class sets due to Covid-19. For cooking & nutrition they need to bring a labelled container to carry products home.

I am sure you appreciate that the materials required to teach design & technology and cooking & nutrition as hands-on practical subjects are costly. After careful consideration we have made the decision to change our approach, specifically to cooking and nutrition.

This year we would like to request a larger sum than in previous years, in order to cover the cost of ALL standard ingredients required for cooking & nutrition as well as materials for design & technology projects.

The benefits of this approach will remove the responsibility from parents to source ingredients for each cooking lesson. It allows us to bulk buy materials and gain the largest discounts, which in turn keeps costs down and allows us to develop more exciting projects, enhancing student experience. Lastly, but equally as important, it cuts down on unnecessary waste and is therefore more environmentally friendly.

This year we are asking for a £25.00 one-off contribution for the school year.

Please complete this <u>Google form</u> so we can track your payment and note any food allergies. Ideally, we would ask that you pay via Scopay online. However, if you are unable to pay online, please make cheques payable to Sandhurst School Private Account and if paying by cash please clearly label with your child's name, year group, tutor group and technology teacher.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Thank you for your support with this matter.

Yours sincerely,

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