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Dear Parent/Carer(s),

Re: Design and Technology Department – Important Information

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

In design and 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. For cooking and nutrition, they need to bring a **labelled container to carry products home**. **Students must also provide their own apron**, to use throughout the year.

I am sure you appreciate that, as hands-on practical subjects, materials required to teach both design and technology and cooking and nutrition are costly. As you will be well aware, food costs especially have increased significantly in the last 12 months.

To maintain the quality and consistency of practical tasks, as per last year we will once again be asking for a contribution toward **ALL standard ingredients required for cooking and nutrition as well as materials for design and technology projects**.

We will therefore be asking for a **£30.00 one-off contribution for the school year**.

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.

Please [complete this form](#) 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,

Mrs C. Jackson-Jones
Subject Leader - Design & Technology

