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To: Parent/Carers – Year 7

Dear Parent/Carer

### Design Technology Contributions

We are asking parent/carers of Year 7 students to make a contribution of £33 towards the cost of various materials and resources which will be used in Cooking & Nutrition and Design Technology, all of which are part of the Faculty for Creative Arts and Technical Studies. We try to keep the value of our requests to a minimum and the total of £33 is considerably lower than that of other schools, but is essential in helping us to maintain a varied and creative curriculum.

#### Cooking & Nutrition: £18

As part of the curriculum your child/ward will begin Cooking & Nutrition lessons in September and the contribution will cover the cost of all the ingredients provided. Students will produce up to nine different dishes per year.

We aim to encourage all students to cook and eat healthy food. They will be taught a variety of skills to help them maintain a healthy diet, as well as to foster an enthusiasm for cooking.

#### Design Technology: £15

The contribution towards Design Technology is a one-off payment and will cover students throughout Years 7, 8 and 9. They will undertake a variety of projects, resulting in a practical outcome and a functional product, which the students can then take home and use. The projects will cover many different areas and will include materials such as wood, metal and plastic as well as electronics, textiles and graphics materials.

The school accepts debit and credit card payments online through WisePay; instructions on how to register are included herewith. If it should prove financially difficult to find this contribution, please contact the Head of Year 7 in confidence.

Yours faithfully



Mr W Housden  
Head of Design and Technology