



ABBEY PARK SCHOOL

10th September 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

I would like to take this opportunity to seek your financial support for your child in their GCSE Design & Technology Course and inform you of the forthcoming initiative to sustain success and achievement.

In GCSE D&T, students use a wide range of materials throughout the course including their Controlled Assessment Project. In order to create and enhance products with a high specification, **we ask that each student makes a voluntary contribution of £15 to cover the costs of materials** used in their various projects throughout the year. The cost will also include a highly recommended revision guide to help prepare them for the exam.

Due to the current restrictions, Year 10 will not begin full practical work until the restrictions are lifted, but across the department we are trying our best to modify the practical element of the course so that students can continue to develop these skills.

If you have made a contribution for materials, your child will be able to take their products home once the examination process is complete.

In many schools, students are asked to either purchase the materials they want to use in their projects themselves (which can prove very costly and time consuming) or for a contribution at the end of every project. We are asking for a one-off voluntary contribution.

Please note that there are certain specialist components that students may want to use as part of their controlled assessment making (e.g. solar panel light kits) of which the voluntary contribution does not cover.

Thank you for supporting your child's learning in Design and Technology. Please would you make payment through Parent Pay **by Friday 16th October 2020**, this enables us to order the appropriate amount of revision guides. Students should expect to receive their guide in Term Two.

Should you wish to discuss this or any other matter relating to Design and Technology please do not hesitate to contact me by email (staceym@abbeyparkschool.org.uk)

Yours faithfully,

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