

HENDON SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to another academic year from all in the Design and Technology faculty!

In order to successfully run D&T practical lessons we are asking parents for a one-off fixed contribution of £10.00 in the Autumn term to cover the whole coming academic year. This is requested from all students studying a Design and Technology subject.

Your contribution will allow us to give all students a choice of different materials and components in Resistant Materials lessons, supply students with a range of fabrics, threads, trimmings and paints for Textiles lessons, but, most importantly, will allow us to supply all students with the basic cupboard ingredients to be used in Food Technology lessons. This will cover the following:

- Food ingredients: flour, sugar, salt, yeast, baking powder, pasta, herbs and spices; oil, margarine, tomato paste, chopped tomatoes, soy sauce
- Foil, greaseproof paper, baking tins

This will not, however, cover any fresh ingredients like meat, fruits or vegetables, or any additional ingredients your child might wish to add to their dishes. Unfortunately, if this one-off contribution is not received, we will be forced to continue to ask those students to pay for the materials on a day-to-day basis or bring all necessary ingredients for their practical lessons, in the same way that the system works currently.

We do, however, feel that a one-off contribution at the beginning of the academic year will simplify the system for students, parents and staff, and hope that you will agree. Your support will allow us to continue to deliver high quality projects using high quality materials, and students will continue to be able to take home products that they can be proud of.

Payment can only be made through the school's online payment system, which is accessed via Arbor (The DT contribution can be found under the Trips section). If you do not currently have access to Arbor or having difficulties accessing it, please contact the Main reception.

We would appreciate if payment is made before 1st October, so ingredients can be bought before Food Technology practical lessons begin. If you feel that you may have difficulty making this one-off payment, please contact me, in confidence, at gavartin@hendonschool.co.uk or on 020 8202 9004 ext. 262 to discuss options.

With thanks for your anticipated support.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs. A. Gavartin
Head of Design and Technology

