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North
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High School

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Dear Parent/Guardian

Yr9 Food Preparation & Nutrition

Your child has selected Food Preparation & Nutrition as one of their 'GCSE Taster' options in Yr9.

The aim of the topics this year is to provide a sound foundation of how common ingredients function in a recipe and where they originate from. It also provides an opportunity to inspire students to follow a career in Hospitality, Tourism or Food Research and continue in their studies for GCSE Food Preparation & Nutrition.

Last year I experienced a significant number of students either forgetting their apron or ingredients every lesson which frustrated everyone involved. This meant that a lot of students missed out on learning how to cook for themselves and their family. To resolve this issue the following has changed;

- 1. Students will be provided with burgundy school aprons each lesson.**
- 2. Every half term parents will make a single payment on Wisepay to cover the cost of all ingredients for all recipes.**

We will be bulk purchasing ingredients at school therefore lowering the cost to parents. For students with food allergies and intolerances the appropriate alternatives will be provided. All the students need to do is arrive to lessons ready to cook. Demonstration videos, powerpoints and recipes will be available on Frog for students to become familiar and practice the required techniques before the practical lesson and I encourage you to support your child to improve their cooking skills and techniques at home.

Students in Yr9 will be making one dish every fortnight whilst studying the following topics;

- Autumn Term 1 - Functional Properties of Food
- Autumn Term 2 - Food Manufacturing and Product Development
- Spring Term 1 - Herbs & Spices and Sensory Analysis
- Spring Term 2 - World Leaders In International Cuisine
- Summer Term 1 - Al Fresco
- Summer Term 2 - Planning a Three Course Meal

The total cost for Autumn Term 1 is **£15.00** which I'm sure you will agree is markedly lower to the amount you would normally need to pay for each separate item. To make the payment please log on to the school website to find Wisepay and click the General Products button. Select Year 9 - £15.00. Payments need to be made before **Friday 5th October**.

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I will contact you again each half term to inform you of the amount and deadline for the subsequent payments.

Thank you in anticipation of your swift cooperation. If however you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me on the schools telephone number above.

Yours sincerely

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