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Dear Parent/Carer

Please let me extend a warm welcome to your child as they join Great Marlow School, and the Design & Technology department. A warm welcome to you as well, as a member of the school community.

Students are now becoming aware of how the carousel of lessons works within Design and Technology and we are sure that they have enjoyed and learned a great deal from their technology lessons already.

Over the course of the academic year, each student will complete a number of dynamic Design and Technology projects using a variety of specialist materials such as wood, cards, metal, acrylic, and fabrics as well as decorative materials, and the tasting of new and different food products throughout the faculty.

The actual cost of these materials if purchased individually can now easily amount to £20-£25 per student per year, and this estimate obviously continues to rise drastically in the current climate. Although students bring in most of their food ingredients, it would not be practical to ask students to bring in these other materials themselves, as we would have problems with quality, quantity and suitability, as well as a considerable cost to yourselves.

We offer a range of appropriate materials that are needed for the successful completion of high quality products, but we are unable to do this without some support from parents and carers.

We ask each Year 7 student to make a contribution of **£10.00** to cover some of the costs towards the materials required to deliver the exciting projects for this year. On completion of their work, students will be able to take home and keep the projects to show to family and friends and to cherish for years to come. We would be very grateful if you could support the students and the technology faculty so that we can continue to deliver the best possible Design and Technology experience.

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Yours faithfully

Mr N Taylor
Head of Design and Technology