

21st September 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Key Stage 3 Design and Technology

As part of the Design and Technology curriculum in Key Stage 3, most pupils will complete a variety of projects this year in different materials as listed below.

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
Keyring / Pendant	Toy plane and packaging	Aluminium Cars
Bookends	Keyring / Pendant	Picture Frames
Design Skills	Computer Aided Design	Creative, sustainable designs

To reduce costs and promote sustainability, we try to use recycled materials wherever possible. For example, cardboard packaging from the canteen is regularly collected and used to model design ideas before final designs are built, and pupils are specifically encouraged to bring in their own recycled materials for their Year 9 creative designs. However, for most projects the final designs use new materials and we are unable to cover the cost of these and of the necessary supporting materials in all projects without the support of families.

As in previous years, we are asking for a voluntary contribution of £6.00 per student to cover the cost of materials in order to continue these projects, which we feel are more rewarding than cheaper alternatives. We would be grateful if the money could be paid through ParentPay by 15th October. Pupils in receipt of Pupil Premium are not asked to make this contribution, though the item will appear on ParentPay.

We are very grateful for your support which will enable us to continue teaching the variety of projects currently on offer.

Yours sincerely,



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