



George Spencer Academy

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Dear Parent/Guardian

Over the course of Year 7 and 8 your child will study four different areas within Design Technology and Food Preparation and Nutrition. In each area, they will manufacture a range of different products. To help with covering some of the costs of providing basic materials, we unfortunately have to ask for a contribution from parents. Students will also need to purchase ingredients for Food Preparation and Nutrition lessons when they are studying this area. So that we can continue to make these fantastic products, we would like you to make a one off contribution of £15. This will cover both Year 7 and 8. We will not ask for a contribution again until Year 9.

Parents who are in receipt of:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Tax Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Credit
- Universal Credit, may like to contact me by telephone or letter, in confidence, by 7th September 2017, to discuss further financial assistance.

Payment should be made by using your online Squid account. **PLEASE USE portal.squidcard.com**. Select the 'Trips and Offers' option, then select the trip or item you are paying for. Payment is to be made between 6th and 29th September 2017 – please note the deadline payment date. If you have any queries with Squid payments please contact customerservice@squidcard.com
Please note that if the transaction amount is below £10 it is advisable that you top up your account by bank transfer or standing order to avoid the 25p charge levied by Squid.

I would like to thank you in advance for your support. Without your support, we would not be able to make the high quality products that your son/daughter enjoys making so much. We hope that both you and your child are proud of the products they produce.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me at School.

Yours sincerely

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