

Our Ref: ING/KS3

6th September 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

Ingredients for Practical lessons in Hospitality and Catering in Y10 and 1

Your child has chosen to study Hospitality and Catering in Year 10. The course involves regular practical lessons to support the way we deliver the curriculum. We are mindful of costs of ingredients and try hard to design our lessons based on the skills required for students to progress and achieve their target grades, whilst being mindful of the cost implications for families.

We operate a fortnightly 'practical week' rather than cooking once a week in Y10. This is to enable us to still to teach the high levels skills and allow students to make more challenging dishes, but without the time pressure of only having a single lesson to cook in.

Due to this format of lessons, regular attendance and excellent punctuality are essential as students will miss out on the skills if they are not in lesson. On the back of this letter is a list of ingredients for each practical lesson and any relevant information linked to dishes. The exact date of each practical will be arranged with your child's teacher during the term. The recipe and date of practical will also be shared on SMHW.

Students are expected to provide their own ingredients for practical lessons and we have space available to store them before and after the lesson in large fridges and ambient storage in classrooms. If there is any reason why providing ingredients will be difficult on some or all practical lessons, please let me know as soon as possible. We are able to support with this and understand that circumstances may change. We need at least a weeks notice prior to a practical lesson to be able to prepare resources, without this information if your child arrives without ingredients there will be a sanction applied.

Thank you in advance for supporting your child, and I hope you enjoy the dishes we make over the coming months.

Yours faithfully

Miss J Hammersley
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