

11th September 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

May I be the first to offer you a welcome from the Priory Pembroke Academy Technology Department. Over the course of the last couple of years we have seen a great many changes to how schools and colleges work, as well as how we all must manage our time both at work and home. It is for this reason the Technology Department has been considering how to accommodate this into the setting of our technology curriculum. Unlike many subjects, technology students not only complete the normal schoolwork activities, but they engage in a variety of projects to design and make commercial products. A great deal of the passion for the subject comes from students returning home with completed projects to share with those around them.

This can, however, cause some difficulties for students when it comes to getting the resources required to make these products. A prime example is in the food and nutrition projects where this requires a range of ingredients to be brought in by the pupils. A great deal of parent and pupil time can be taken up in finding these ingredients at the right price, in the right amounts, and then getting them into school at the right time. This is often the case for textile and resistant material products also.

Therefore, the Technology Department has decided to simplify this process for students and parents as much as possible. Throughout the academic year the Priory Pembroke Academy will be purchasing all the resources and ingredients for each student for every project. We feel that this approach will allow costs to be reduced through bulk purchasing and every student will always be able to take part in all product making activities.

Over the course of the year students complete multiple products, and we have calculated that along with rising costs, a contribution of £20 will cover the purchase of all ingredients and materials so that every student can fully participate to get the absolute best from their technology work. This takes away the stress for parents in finding materials and ingredients and getting them to school. This also works out much cheaper than purchasing them yourself over the course of the year.

Headteacher: Mr S Evans



Please can we ask that you make payment by Monday 2nd October 2023 by Parent Pay only. If your child is on the pupil premium register, then the school will fund the full cost of the ingredients. Please do contact me here at school if you have any queries or concerns about this matter.

Kind regards

Mr G.E. Baker

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