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Dear Parents/Carer,

**Re: Voluntary Contribution for Design and Technology**

I hope this letter finds you well. As we start the new academic year, I am writing to request a voluntary contribution that will greatly benefit your child's learning throughout the Design and Technology curriculum in Years 7, 8, and 9.

At Cox Green School, we strive to provide our students with a comprehensive and enriching educational experience. Our Design and Technology program plays a crucial role in fostering creativity, problem-solving skills, and practical knowledge. To ensure the smooth running of these classes, I kindly request your support in the form of a voluntary contribution of £30 per student.

This contribution is intended to cover the basic materials required for our Key Stage 3 Design and Technology projects. As our students explore various concepts and engage in hands-on activities, it is essential that they have access to the necessary resources. While the school endeavours to provide as many materials and components as possible, there may be instances where students are encouraged to bring their own materials to develop specific ideas and projects.

In particular, our Food Technology classes rely on contributions from students. While we supply store cupboard items, perishable food items such as fruits, vegetables, and other ingredients need to be brought from home. Throughout the Food Technology curriculum, there will be opportunities for students to taste different products and food items, fostering their understanding and appreciation of various cuisines.

To ensure the safety and inclusivity of all our students, it is vital that our department is aware of any specific cultural or dietary requirements, or food allergies. We kindly request that you notify us of any such information by entering it on sQuid, when prompted at checkout. Your cooperation in this matter will enable us to provide a supportive and inclusive environment for all our students.

We understand that financial circumstances may vary and although this contribution is voluntary, it will directly impact the quality and scope of the Design and Technology experience we can provide for your child.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us. Thank you once again for your continued partnership.

Yours sincerely,

Cristian Jara  
**Subject Leader - Design and Technology**