



Covid-19 – PRACTICAL WORK IN DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY

Update December 1st

Dear Parents,

Please see below for an update on practical work in Design and Technology.

Product Design and Textiles

KS3 – Year 7,8 and 9

Practical work can now go ahead but in a slightly different form. Where possible the students will be able to continue with their projects, but this may mean that some resources are prepared for them to ensure that social distancing can be maintained in the lesson.

GCSE – Year 10 and 11

Again, where possible, practical work can now start again. This may mean slight changes to projects, but we will aim for the students to do as much practical work as safely possible. Year 11 will have priority to ensure they complete the essential work needed for their coursework.

Food

KS3 – Year 7,8 and 9

Currently we do not think it is safe to run food practical lessons. Sadly, it is difficult to adjust these lessons to ensure that the teacher can maintain a social distance of two metres. In the meantime, we will be encouraging the students to cook as much as possible at home (with parental supervision) and send photos into their food teachers. Mrs Cozens has already started a lovely display on the VLE. You will find all information including recipe sheets and presentations with instructions of how to complete these products on the VLE.

We will review this decision after Christmas and update you again.

GCSE – Year 10 and 11

It will be difficult to run practical lessons with Y10, but we hope this can begin again shortly. Year 11 will have priority to ensure they complete the essential work needed for their coursework. We have taken steps to split Y11 groups across multiple rooms to ensure that staff can keep a safe distance. Pupils in Y11 (and their parents) have already been informed about upcoming practical lessons by Mrs Saunders and Mrs Cozens.

Any concerns or questions please feel free to contact us on the email addresses below.

Kind regards,

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