

Headteacher Mr P N Adams BSc Pg Dip

Dear Parent / Guardian

Design Technology: Level 2 Technical Award in Food and Catering

I am writing to inform you that the above course has not been accredited by the Department for Education. This means that the Corbet School will not be delivering the course this year.

If your child opted to study the Level 2 Technical Award in Food and Catering we would like them to take the GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition course as an alternative.

I would like to explain why I believe the GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition course would be suitable for your son/daughter.

We have planned to deliver the GCSE course in a very practical way so that student's knowledge and understanding of foods and making processes is gained through practical investigations, working through mini projects and focussed practical tasks.

The exam (50% of GCSE) will assess student's knowledge of food nutrition and health, food science, food safety, food choice and food provenance.

The non-exam assessment (coursework 50% of GCSE) is made up of two tasks:

Task 1 - Food investigation

Students will be required to demonstrate their understanding of the working characteristics, functional and chemical properties of ingredients.

Task 2 - Food preparation assessment

Students will be required to demonstrate their knowledge, skills and understanding in relation to the planning, preparation, cooking and presentation of food and the application of nutrition related to the chosen task.

Students will prepare, cook and present a final menu of three dishes within a single period of no more than three hours, planning in advance how this will be achieved.

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We would like your child to achieve their full potential and be rewarded with excellent grades after sitting their exams in 2019 and I believe the GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition course will allow the students to achieve this by engaging them with interesting projects and testing their subject knowledge through sitting a rigorous exam.

If you would like to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Yours faithfully

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