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Dear Parent / Carer

GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition Practical exam

Thank you for your support over the last 3 weeks with the trial recipes for this exam.

I am writing to remind you and your son/daughter of the dates and expectations for the final 3-hour practical examination.

The dates are as follows:

Mon 21 Jan – Mrs Skelton's 11Y group

Weds 23 Jan – Mrs Moller's 11Y group

Fri 25 Jan – Mrs Skelton's 11X group

It is important that you notify us as soon as possible if your son/daughter cannot make their selected date.

Every student is expected to:

- Have all written work up to date for this – it is essential that they have their time plan with them since the marking criteria states, 'The candidate followed the plan of action' and this is for all levels of marks (even the lower levels). Therefore, no plan then no practical marks. They will be working from their plan, so it needs to show all the detail of each recipe.
- Provide dishes for the serving of food unless discussed with their teacher.
- Set the table so that is nicely presented e.g. tablecloth etc
- Adhere to health and safety guidelines: hair tied up, apron on, no nail varnish or false nails.
- Have containers to take home food.

On the day of the exam your son/daughter will be expected to be in their allocated room with their ingredients etc by 8.45am. The exam will start at 10am and run through until 1pm. At the start of the day they will be expected to check off their ingredients just in case we need to go and purchase anything they may have forgotten. They will then take a short break to be briefed and use the toilet before starting at 10am (students with extra time will start at 9.30am). They will finish presenting at 1pm and go to lunch so that we can mark the work (which includes tasting). At 2pm the students will come back to the room, clear up and be ready to go home at 3.05pm.

As with any exam no phones are allowed in the room.

Hopefully by the Christmas break they will have some idea of their 3 dishes (with accompaniments) so their homework over the break will be to practice these and record the timings so that they can write a detailed plan. They can change their ideas over Christmas since final decisions will be made in the New Year.

Please do not hesitate in contacting either of us if you have any more questions.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Yours faithfully

Mrs F Skelton

Mrs D Moller

