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Dear Parent/Carer and Year 11 Student

GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition Practical Assessment

Thank you for your support during the recent lockdown. The students have been producing some fantastic results.

We are writing to confirm the 3-hour practical assessment will now be going ahead and to make you aware of the dates and expectations for this assessment.

The dates are as follows:

Either: Wednesday 24 March or Thursday 25 March, the teacher will have confirmed which date your child will complete the assessment.

It is important you notify us as soon as possible if your child cannot make their selected date.

Every student is expected to:

- Have all written work up to date for this – it is essential 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 time plan then no practical marks. They will be working from their plan, so it needs to show all of the detail of each recipe.
- Provide dishes for the serving of food unless discussed with their teacher.
- Set the table so that it 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 in afterwards.

On the day of the exam your child will be expected to be in their allocated room with their ingredients etc by 8.30am. The exam will start at 9.30am (or 9.00am if they are entitled to extra time) and run through until 12.30pm. 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. They will finish presenting at 12.30pm and go to lunch so that we can mark the work (which includes tasting). At 1pm the students will come back to the room, clear up and be ready to go home at 2.40pm.

As with any assessment/ exam no phones are allowed in the room. We do have timers for the students to use if required.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any more questions.

Thank you once again for your support and we look forward to seeing the results of all their hard work.

Yours faithfully

Mrs F Skelton

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