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Dear Parent/Carer

GCSE Catering/Hospitality

As you may know we are once again going through turmoil with changes in GCSE courses, content and methods of assessment. Many KS4 subjects have already moved over to the new specifications, others will be changing over the next couple of years.

One of the options that your son/daughter chose was Catering. They have been studying this since the change to the new timetable. However, we have just been informed that the exam board offering this subject will not be offering the exam for the students in 2018. This is despite still being recognised in the performance measures in that year. We have had to therefore consider an alternative course for them. The alternative GCSE we can offer is Hospitality. We have checked again with the exam board and they have agreed to provide all necessary materials and documentation in order for this course to be completed. As with the Catering it is a full GCSE, and will be valid and valued in the performance measures both for your son/daughter and for the school. It also means that all preparation work undertaken so far is immediately transferable and relevant for this change to the new course.

We are writing to inform you of the changes and to alleviate any concerns.

However, if you should wish to discuss this further then please feel free to contact us at the school.

Yours faithfully

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Leader of Learning Technology