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Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to inform you of upcoming changes to your child's Engineering option.

Due to recent course changes made by OCR to Engineering Design, it is no longer a suitable option for meeting the needs of our current year 9 students. Therefore, students will need to be moved onto GCSE Design and Technology (Product Design) with immediate effect.

The GCSE Design and Technology course offers students more opportunities to experience using a wider range of materials when manufacturing products, more hands-on practical learning in the workshop as well as still developing their designing skills including the use of CAD/CAM. The theory content and practical skills which students have been learning to date are transferrable so students will not be at a disadvantage with this change.

The GCSE Design and Technology course supports progression into employment through work-placed or college based qualifications or apprenticeships in the local area, linking to a wide range of Design and Technology subjects. GCSE Design and Technology supports progression linking to post 16 choices such as carpentry and joinery, construction, brickwork, plumbing, automotive, product design as well as engineering.

If you have any questions or concerns linking to the above, please contact me to discuss any matters further.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Tiernan

Head of Technology