

November 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Food Practical

Next month, your child will be taking part in a four-lesson practical session for Food Preparation and Nutrition/NCFE Food and Cookery Skills. On one day, they will be out of their usual lessons from periods 1-4 and will spend the day in their food classroom, preparing, cooking, and serving a class roast.

Students will work together to produce a roast dinner, which they will then enjoy as a group, alongside staff. Throughout the day, students will be divided into teams, with each team responsible for a different component of the meal.

This is a large-scale activity that many students may not have experienced before, so it may prove challenging for some. However, we hope that they will engage enthusiastically in what promises to be a busy and exciting day. This practical will offer a valuable opportunity for students to experience a 'real' kitchen environment, requiring them to multitask and collaborate effectively to complete the meal.

Students will also be assessed throughout the day, as if it were a mock practical exam. This experience is intended to give them a sense of what the actual practical exam may entail, helping them to understand the requirements and expectations for next year.

The practical session is scheduled for Friday, 13th December, during periods 1-4. To facilitate this event, we are kindly requesting a £10 contribution towards the cost of ingredients. This contribution will allow us to provide all the necessary ingredients for the day, alleviating any concern for students and families about sourcing multiple items.

Please make the payment via Arbor by Friday, 6th December, at 4:00 pm. If your child receives Pupil Premium (or has been entitled to Free School Meals in the last six years), financial support may be available. In this case, please contact our Finance team at <u>finance@noadswood.hants.sch.uk</u> before the deadline.

We will be sharing updates on our social media platforms throughout the day, so please look out for those to see what students are accomplishing.

We look forward to a highly successful day. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to email https://www.hpidgley@noadswood.hants.sch.uk or https://www.hpidgley@noadswood.hants.sch.uk.

Yours sincerely,

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