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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 10 GCSE Food Course Amendment

Following a recent review of the assessment requirements from the exam board NCFE, which is the current course offer for Year 10, we have decided that students would benefit in their progress and understanding by moving to the GCSE AQA Food Preparation and Nutrition course (8585)

The AQA course is well established as a recognised qualification by further education colleges and employers. To reassure you, the content of both courses is the same and the learning undertaken by your child this year robustly supports a move to this new qualification. This means that they will not be disadvantaged in any way by the change.

Furthermore, the longevity of the course means that there are many more resources available for exam revision, including digital platforms such as Seneca Learning to support students. Oasis Academy Lord's Hill also hold a stock of revision guides to which students have full access.

We will now register your child with the AQA exam board for the GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition course with immediate effect.

I am confident that students will benefit from this decision which has been carefully considered with your child's best interests at heart. If you would like more information about the AQA qualification or have any questions about the change, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Melissa Kilbey'.

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