



11th September 2026

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Key Stage 3 Food Technology Contribution

We are delighted to share that we have refreshed and enhanced our Key Stage 3 Food Technology curriculum to provide an even more engaging and valuable experience for our students. Building on the success of recent years, students will continue to cook regularly throughout the year. This consistent practical approach has had a very positive impact, helping students to develop confidence, independence, and essential life skills. Students will gain hands-on experience with different ingredients and methods, supporting both their creativity and their understanding of healthy eating.

We are mindful that the current cost of living continues to affect many families. With this in mind, we have reviewed how we source ingredients and have secured partnerships with wholesale suppliers. This allows us to significantly reduce costs while maintaining the quality and variety of the dishes we offer. In addition, by providing the ingredients directly, we remove the need for families to shop for individual items, saving both time and inconvenience.

We ask for a contribution of **£15 per student per academic year** (or £5.00 per term) towards ingredients.

Payments to be made via Parent Pay, either in three instalments over the year or paid in full. Some financial support may be available; please contact us confidentially via info@glossopdaleschool.org.uk for further information—we are committed to ensuring that every student can fully participate.

Alternatively, if you would prefer, we can provide a schedule and an ingredient list so that you can supply the ingredients for each practical lesson yourself. If we do not receive the first terms payment by October half term (Friday 23rd October 2026), we will write to you to let you know that your child will need to bring in the ingredients for each lesson.

Thank you for your support.

Kind regards,

Mrs Rowley
Head of Food Technology