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Dear Parent/Carer,

Art Materials – Y10 GCSE Photography Course.

As a GCSE Photography student your son/daughter will complete a series of projects over the two-year course and a final exam project. Over the course, students will use one large square ring bound sketchbook and black card to create presentation sheets.

In order that we may spend the bulk of our budget on good quality art materials for use in lessons I would like to ask that, if at all possible, students make a one-off payment of £4 to cover the cost of their folder (£2) and the black card (£2).

To enable our students to complete work throughout the course and to be able to provide them with materials to do so, we are also asking this year for a voluntary contribution towards the higher quality paper, printing costs, mount board, sticky fixers, and other specialist materials, a one-off payment of £5.

Your contribution (of £9 in total) can be paid directly via Arbor. As the school receives a grant for students currently receiving free school meals, we do not require a contribution from these students as this can be funded from the grant.

Yours sincerely

Mrs E Summers
Head of Art
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