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Dear Parent/Carer

Key Stage 5 – A-Level Design Technology - Year 13

The Design and Technology department aims to do its best for students by providing opportunities which will allow them to develop their abilities fully, including as wide a range as possible of processes and materials to work with.

Obviously, this can be very expensive and, as a result, we have to ask for an **annual contribution of £25** per student.

In Year 13 this contribution is used to cover the resources the students choose to manufacture their Non-Examination Assessment (NEA) project. Depending on the scale and details of their final product design, students may also have to purchase additional materials and components.

Payment should be made via www.parentpay.com, the school's online cashless payment system, by **Friday 14 November 2025**. If you have any problems accessing ParentPay, please contact the Finance Team via email at finance@backwellschool.net

In cases of financial assistance, please contact the Finance Team, who will be able to provide information regarding the 16-19 Bursary Fund. This is available to post-16 students who are in receipt of Free School Meals or whose parents/carers receive Child Tax Credit or Universal Credit.

If you would like to discuss any of the above, please contact me at school.

Yours sincerely

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