## **Seaford Head School**

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## A Level Product Design

Dear Parents/Carers,

The Design and Technology department are asking for an annual contribution towards the cost of materials used on the A-Level Product Design course that your child has chosen as an option in Years 12 and 13. The Department has been able to extend the range of processes and materials available to students with the donation by Kodak Polaroid of two 3D printers which will enable us to expand the use of CAD and CAM in addition to the Laser Cutter which is already used extensively in all projects.

Product Design is a STEM subject where students develop technical knowledge and skills through practical experience. They also learn to apply key skills and knowledge acquired in other subjects, particularly Maths, ICT and Science, thereby gaining an understanding of how their learning relates to the types and scales of industrial design and manufacture currently undertaken in the UK. The students enjoy designing and making products using a wide range of materials and equipment, however, this is expensive and to ensure that we can continue to provide and extend the range of materials available for the design and make projects, the department is asking for contributions to help us maintain the provision.

We understand that some families are simply not in a position to make a contribution in the current economic climate, therefore we are only asking for a contribution from parents or carers in a position to do so. The contribution can be any amount, up to a maximum of £30 per year towards the cost of materials needed for the projects that students will undertake each year.

Payment should be made via our online payment system, ParentPay. If you do not currently have a login please email <a href="mailto:Parentpay@seafordhead.org">Parentpay@seafordhead.org</a> with your child's name and year group and you will be sent a login and password. If you have any queries please email <a href="mailto:ParentPay@seafordhead.org">ParentPay@seafordhead.org</a>

Yours sincerely,

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