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Food Technology Enrichment Opportunities – Year 1
Start date – Friday 6th November 2026 (after half-term)

Dear Y1 Parents,

At Dovery Academy we constantly strive to better support children in their learning, through offering a rich and more varied curriculum and more exciting opportunities through which they can live and learn. Food Technology experience, we feel, brings many benefits to our children, not only promoting reading, writing and the application of mathematical skills in context, but also encouraging the development of life skills which will better support them in the future. In their sessions, which are small group sessions of 3 hours led by Mrs Flynn, Teaching Assistant, our children will:

- Discuss issues linked to health, safety and hygiene in the kitchen.
- Share recipes and better understand the necessity of following precise instructions.
- Use mathematical skills linked to weighing and measuring, up-scaling recipes and understanding time.
- Gain an understanding of the produce with which they are cooking, how it is grown, where it comes from.
- Develop and practice various skills required to cook independently.
- Taste and try new foods.

The children will be cooking on a rotation basis using our cooking facilities in Copper Beech classroom. To help fund this opportunity we require a voluntary contribution of ***£8.00 (payable via Arbor).*** The payment has been set 'live' on Arbor under Trips and should be paid **no later than Friday 27th November 2026**. *If your child is entitled to Pupil Premium Grant you will not be charged.*

If you are experiencing any difficulties in paying for this enrichment activity, please do not hesitate to contact the office and speak to myself or Mrs O'Hara.

You do not need to complete a separate permission form for this enrichment activity as you have already given consent on the Year 1 Event Consent Form signed at the beginning of the school year.

We will use the dietary information we already hold on Arbor for these sessions. If your child's dietary needs have changed, please email the office with the latest information.

Many thanks and best wishes,

Sarah Cavender

Headteacher