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## **GCSE Food and Nutrition Practical Examination January 2022**

Dear Parent

As part of your son/daughter's GCSE course in **Food and Nutrition** they have to undertake a three-hour practical examination. They have been working in class on their chosen theme and three dishes are to be made in class, of which at least two must demonstrate a high degree of skill in order to obtain a high grade. **This will count towards their final GCSE grade next summer.**

They are only required to make **small portions** of their chosen dishes. However, each dish must be presented to a high level showing relevant garnishes and accompaniments. Roughly a quarter of their total practical marks is awarded for presentation. Much thought should be given not only to how a dish looks but also to how it is displayed.

We do have some plates at school but many may not be suitable for their chosen dish. I would therefore be grateful if you could allow them to bring any suitable serving plates / dishes to school. I would also be grateful if you could encourage them to practice their chosen dishes at home so that they are well prepared.

At the time of sending this to you, I do not know exactly when your son/ daughter will be cooking but I anticipate that it will be either **Thursday 14th** or **Friday 15th January 2022**.

Please note that this will be the end of mock examination week for pupils, but this is **not** a mock examination and the marks achieved will count towards their final GCSE grade.

If you have any questions regarding this please do not hesitate to contact me by email at [soldenl@ripongrammar.com](mailto:soldenl@ripongrammar.com)

Yours sincerely

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