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Dear Year 9 Parents and Carers

Year 9 Stop the Clock Day Workshops, Monday 4th November

Twice during the year, the school timetable is suspended for a day to allow students to take part in activities outside of the classroom; the first of these Stop the Clock days this year is on Monday 4th November.

The Technology department has organised a series of interactive workshops and design and make activities for Year 9 during the day, looking specifically at how design and technology can solve real world problems faced by primary school children.

Students will work in teams to design and make scale models of all-weather shelters, create sun protective bandanas with smart inks, make energy bars and develop prototypes for trophies and race medals.

They will also be designing a newsletter or mini magazine. The energy bars will be sold in school to raise money for a children's charity chosen by Year 9.

The event will take place on **Monday 4th November**, in school, and within normal school hours so students are able to use their usual method of transport to and from school.

Please ensure:

- Pupils attend in full school uniform
- Have pencil cases/stationary to use.

Please can we ask all students to bring in **empty cereal boxes**, **brown amazon packaging and used fruit/vegetable nets** i.e. those used for oranges and onions etc, to use on the day. They can leave these in any of the technology classrooms.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us by calling the school office or by email WDacosta@beaminster.dorset.sch.uk

Thank you in advance for your support.

Mrs Da Costa The Design and Technology Team