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Dear Parent / Carer

As you will be aware your child has studied Design and Technology through all five disciplines (Electronics, Food, Graphics, Resistant Materials, Textiles) throughout Years 7 and 8.

Many of the skills developed over the last two years are transferable between the subject areas. However, we now consider it advisable to allow students to start narrowing down the number of subjects studied within D&T. This will allow students more time in their chosen areas to develop skills and techniques in much more detail. Our Year 9 courses can then be targeted directly towards the GCSE subject more likely to be studied at KS4 (Years 10/11).

At this time we appreciate that some students may have difficulty choosing just one subject that they may wish to study at GCSE. For this reason students will study two D&T subjects in Year 9. Group sizes in D&T have to be limited to safe numbers for the facilities available, so for this reason we would like the students to choose the three D&T subjects they would like to study in order of preference and we will do our utmost to give the student their preferred choices. They should have an interest and aptitude for each of the subjects chosen.

We will of course be talking to the students about this preference system next week and will offer help and advice. We would encourage you to discuss their preferences with your child before filling in the necessary form. If you have any questions or would like to discuss this further please do not hesitate to contact us at school.

Yours sincerely

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Subject Leaders – Design & Technology





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Please complete this slip and return to the D&T office by **Friday 3 February 2012.**

Name .....Tutor group.....

Complete the table below to show your 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> choice of subject in order

Electronic Products	Food Technology	Graphic Products	Resistant materials	Textiles Technology

Explain below if there are any special reasons why you want to do these subjects

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Signed (parent/guardian) .....Date.....

