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Dear Parents and Carers,

**Re: Staff / Course changes in Year 10.**

I write to you with an update on the staffing situation in our Creative Technology department. Our current Year 10 cohort are now nearly five weeks into their GCSE study and they have made a great start and have really embraced their options subjects.

Whilst our curriculum ambition is to offer as broad a range of subjects as possible at Key Stage 4, unfortunately we are in a position where we have to make a change to our offer, replacing Construction with Engineering.

We recruited a new Curriculum Leader in this area who started with us in September, but unfortunately, due to personal reasons has had to resign her post. Her experience as a teacher of construction was a key driver behind our course offer but now we are in a position where we do not have the same expertise to deliver the course as we would like. This situation affects three Year 10 groups and your child is in one of these groups. Our decision to move to engineering is based on the fact that we have teachers able to deliver this course, in addition to the fact that Carleton High School have delivered this course extremely successfully in recent years and have achieved outstanding outcomes.

This change will be effective next week and I will be speaking with all students in these groups on Monday. Whilst not ideal, I am confident by making this decision now and acting quickly, we can ensure that all students are best placed to be successful and achieve grades they are capable of.

Should you wish to have a further discussion, please email us at [admin@kings.patrust.org.uk](mailto:admin@kings.patrust.org.uk) and title the email 'FAO P Langston – Construction' and Miss Langston will call you to discuss the matter further. I thank you in advance for your understanding and continued support.

Yours sincerely,

**Mr D Pinto**  
**Headteacher**