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Dear Parents/Guardians of U6th fine art students,

I am writing to you to about the funding of the A-level fine art course. Whilst the Art Department at LRGS is resourced with a certain amount of equipment and materials, financial pressures on state schools across the country have meant that academic departments are obliged to work with ever more frugality. This is perhaps especially true of departments where expendable materials are an intrinsic part of the course. As far as the A-level fine art is concerned, what we find is that even with good housekeeping and thrifty practice, we increasingly find that our stocks of materials do not go far enough. When we couple this with the running costs of our departmental colour printer (which all U6th art students may use free of charge) **and the cost of displaying artwork at the end of the A-level course**, I wonder quite how our pupils will continue to produce vibrant artwork, in part determined by the quality of artistic materials employed. **I would, incidentally, like to thank you for the contributions you have already made by purchasing items/material for your son's A-level coursework.** Nevertheless, to keep in-line with requests made to parents/guardians with sons studying art/photography in other year groups, I am requesting a one-off contribution of £12 towards the cost of materials. Payments may be made using *Wisepay*, Ref. 'Art Dept Parental Contributions'.

May I thank you very much for your understanding and generosity.

Yours faithfully,

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