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A Henlow school is nurturing a new culinary talent after one of its pupils was runner-up in a regional cooking tournament.

Henlow Church of England Academy's Adriana di Bernado came second in the Future Chef competition this month.

Competing against GCSE food technology students from across Bedfordshire, 13-year-old Adriana

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prepared and cooked a delicious two-course meal for two for under £7.

The Year 8 pupil made a chicken curry with rice, naan, home made mango chutney and fruit samosas, which clinched her second place.

Headteacher Caren Earp said:

"Henlow runs the first round of the Future Chef competition annually, with winners competing in the county final - so for Adriana to compete against students who are significantly older than her and yet to come second is a real triumph and testament to the quality of teaching in our food technology department.

"We are absolutely thrilled our pupils achieve such high standards

and can compete at the highest levels.

"I know Adriana is one to watch for the future and, having tasted her main course at our school final, I am certain this will be the case."

Set up by industry celebrities to encourage students to take up cooking in a professional capacity, the competition encourages pupils to create interesting, healthy and cost-effective meals in just one hour.



■ Top taste: Adriana di Bernado cooked up a treat on a tight budget to impress the judges.