

School Meals: Notice of Pricing Changes from September 2024

Dear Families,

With the continued increase in food prices and increasing staff costs, it has become even more challenging to maintain the prices of school meals. I am writing to you to inform you that there will be a small increase in the price of school meals from September 2024.

Last year we made small increases after a long period of unchanged prices. We now find ourselves in a climate where the prices will need to be reviewed regularly to keep up with increasing costs of staffing, food and energy. We have tried to keep increases to a minimum and we have benchmarked with other local schools to ensure that our prices also reflect local offers.

School Meals Pricing

From 1st September 2024 all school meals will cost £2.75, an increase of 15p. If you believe that you may be eligible for Free School Meals, then please do speak to the school office. They will be able to help and ensure that your child can access funding that they are entitled to.

If you are eligible for Free School Meals but send your child with a packed lunch, then we also ask that you talk to the office as we would be able to claim Pupil Premium funding which will support your child's education provision.

Do not forget that if your child is **in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 they are automatically entitled to a free school dinner** as part of the Universal Infant Free School Meals. Talk to the school office if you would like your child to have a school dinner.

We will continue to review the prices each year and inform you at least one term in advance if there is a further change. We will continually seek to reduce prices without compromising the quality of food.

Yours sincerely,



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For and on behalf of the Learning Academy Partnership (South West)