



# Phoenix St. Peter Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers

## Cost of children's paid lunches from 30<sup>th</sup> October 2023

As we are all aware, the cost of food, services and utilities has increased significantly recently, and we are committed in keeping the contribution which parents and carers make towards their child's paid school meal as low as possible. Any parents and carers of older children will know that children's meals have been £2.30 for a very long time.

As our families know, we have a wonderful catering team who prepare and serve nutritious and healthy lunches every day for our children, using fresh seasonal produce and meat sourced from a local butcher. We know how important a good school meal is for children, and remain committed to offering this service going forward. However, the cost to the school to provide this service is extremely high.

The government have recognised the challenges which schools face and has recently increased the amount payable to schools to £2.53, per meal, for children who receive a Universal or Free School Meal.

Therefore, we have had to make the difficult decision to increase the cost of **paid school lunches to £2.40 per meal, with effect from Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2023**. We hope that our families will understand the need for this increase.

We remind our families regularly of the government's Free School Meal scheme. Even if your child receives Universal Free School Meals in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2, we would encourage you to check their Free School Meal eligibility if any circumstances have changed. Free school meal eligibility ensures your child will continue to have free school meals through their primary education, as well as providing the additional benefits outlined overleaf.

If you would like to see if your child is eligible for free school meals, please complete the Eligibility Form attached and return it to the School Office.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

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Executive Headteacher.

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## Have you checked your Free School Meal eligibility?



Could your child be receiving a delicious lunch at school, free of charge?

Free After-School Clubs!

Free Phoenix St. Peter and other School Holiday Clubs!

School holiday food vouchers (currently £15.00 per child, per week)!

Support with school uniform!

Support with the cost of school trips and residential visits!

Support with Breakfast Clubs where required!

Access to external agencies and additional support!

Additional classroom support where required!

**Contact the School Office today!**

