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Dear Parents and Carers

Cost of children's paid lunches from 1st September 2024

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

Any parents and carers of older children will know that children's meals had been £2.30 for a very long time before our increase to £2.40 last autumn term. In line with the government funding of £2.53, we have made the decision to increase our school meals to £2.50 per child, with effect from the 1st September 2024. We feel that this still represents excellent value for a two course meal.

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 monetary cost to the school to provide this service is extremely high.

Free School Meals

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 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, and please do speak with Mrs. Freeman if you have any concerns.

Yours sincerely,

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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!

