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Dear Parents and Carers,

School Meal Price Increase

As you will be aware, last year we were able to reduce the cost of our school meals.

This year, we have been informed by Orian that a price increase is unavoidable due to unprecedented levels of inflation and an increase of 9.8% to the national living wage: 'Food cost inflation has risen by a massive 29% over the past 2 years, whilst we are seeing less volatile food ingredient costs this year, as a rule we are not experiencing a drop to levels pre 2021...'

This means that, with effect from 03 September 2024, the cost of a school meal will increase to £2.60 per day. Children in Reception to Year 2 will continue to receive free meals under the Government's Universal Infant Free School Meal Scheme.

Whilst this price increase is not ideal, it means that we will continue to offer good quality, healthy menu choices which are prepared daily in our school kitchen.

Yours sincerely,

S Hardaker

Mr S Hardaker Headteacher



















