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RE: School Dinner Charges

Dear parents and carers

Our current charge for school dinners for children in Years 3 to 6 is £2.40 per meal. This rate has been in place since September 2021 and has been significantly less than many other local schools.

Following a renewal of our catering contract with Mellors, an significant increase has been applied to the amount school is charged to provide each meal.

Due to the increase this will mean that the new charge for paid school dinners from Monday 17 April 2023 will be **£2.50 per meal**. We have tried to keep this figure to a minimum amount and school are subsidising the remainder of the increase.

The government will continue to fund meals for children in Early Years, Year 1 and Year 2 and for pupils in receipt of 'Free School Meals' (children whose family meet certain criteria).

Thank you for your understanding.

Best wishes,

James Rourke
Headteacher