



9th June 2025

Dear Parents and Carers of next year's KS2 children

Important Information Regarding School Lunch Prices

I'm writing to inform you about an upcoming adjustment to the cost of school lunches.

Beginning after the summer holiday, the price of a school lunch will increase to £3.00.

This decision was not made lightly. Our catering provider, Hutchisons, is facing unprecedented increases in their operating costs, particularly with rising food prices and increases to the minimum wage. These external factors have unfortunately made it impossible for them to continue providing meals at the current price.

As a school, we've been working closely with Hutchisons to absorb as many of these rising costs as possible. However, it's no longer sustainable to maintain the current meal price without this adjustment. Please be assured that **the school does not make any profit from school lunches**. In fact, we already subsidize meals for our EYFS and KS1 children, who will continue to receive their lunches for free.

We understand that any increase in costs can be challenging, and we want to be transparent about the reasons behind this necessary change. Hutchisons is not increasing prices to generate a larger profit; they are simply responding to external pressures beyond their control.

We completely understand if, as a result of this increase, you choose to send your child with a packed lunch instead.

The new price will take effect immediately after the summer holidays.

Yours sincerely,

Jo Sawyer
Headteacher