

Dear Customer,

I am writing to inform you that after careful and extended consideration, we are increasing our school meal price.

Despite having worked incredibly hard to navigate and resist cost increases, for a significant period and across our full school provision, we are simply no longer able to absorb these significant hikes without putting the quality and sustainability of the service and business at risk.

The rise in inflation over the past 2 years has had a considerable impact on the food service industry, leading to a notable rise in the cost of our food by more than 16%, and staff costs, driven by the minimum wage increase and increased employer contributions and obligations, have risen for us in excess of 20% in the same 2-year period, not to mention energy costs and fuel prices.

Due to these circumstances, and to ensure we maintain our quality standards, it has become necessary to adjust the cost of our school meals from January 2024.

We are advocates in the importance of a healthy and nutritious school meal to all children, and ever aware of how critical our daily meal is to some. We remain committed to deliver the best value for money that we can, to as many as we can, and of course remain mindful of the already stretched educational budgets.

The price of a school meal, from January 2024 will fall in line with government funding, as follows -

- £2.45 for KS2 parent meals and KS2 pupil premium meals
- £2.45 for KS1/UIFSM meals

We hope that you will appreciate the need to review our pricing and thank you in advance for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely,

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