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PRIMARY & NURSERY
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Dear parent/carers

From September 2022, we will be introducing a new cashless system for payments for school dinners and ordering meals.

School dinners will be pre-ordered by parents and paid for in advance, online, and you will preselect your child's menu choices. To ensure that food can be ordered by the kitchens, all payments and orders must be made by the deadline, which will be on a Thursday night at midnight every week. Therefore, the meal order you place on a Thursday will be for the following week. You will also get the option to place orders weeks/months in advance if this is easier. We ask that you do order as far in advance as possible in order to reduce the transaction cost payable by school. Meals can be ordered at a minimum of a week at a time.

If your child is absent, in order to access a refund, you must cancel the meal by 9:30am on that day. This will result in a credit onto your account. If you wish to change from school dinners to packed lunches, there is no longer any need to inform the office, it will just be necessary to update your account that your child has changed. If you do not do this, and your child goes to the hatch at lunchtime, the system will recognise there is no meal order and the child is still recorded as packed lunches. At this point, we would contact you.

Further details will be sent home about how to register for an account online. We ask that ALL parents register their child/ren as there may be an occasion when we have themed school meal days and your child wants to have a meal on this day. If anybody is struggling to set up an account, please contact the office and we will be happy to help.

Once registered, it is your responsibility to highlight any allergens and dietary requirements that your child has in order to ensure that the kitchens are informed and that food is prepared appropriately. This will then be reflected in the menu choices offered on your account. All orders for the first week in September 2022 must be placed by midnight on Thursday 1st September. We will be sending a number of reminders throughout the summer holidays to do this.

Children in Reception, year 1 and year 2 and those in receipt of free school meals still need to register in order to select the meals. If you do not register, a meal will not be prepared for your child.

Finally, in line with inflation costs, meal prices will increase to £2.50 per day, £12.50 per week as of Monday 5th September 2022.

We are looking forward to this exciting new venture!

Thank you for your support.

If you have any questions, please contact the school office on 0161 643 7594.

Kind regards

St Mary's School Office



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