

19th April 2023

Dear parents and carers

School Meal Price Increase from 1st May 2023

I am writing to inform you of an increase to the cost of paid school meals, which will take effect from the 1st May 2023. We have kept our meal prices the same for the last two years but with increasing food, energy and labour costs, we are no longer able to do this.

The meal price will increase from £2.30 to £2.55 per school meal, the total weekly cost will be £12.75.

Pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will continue to receive free school meals under the universal free school meal scheme. Pupils who receive a free school meal in Year 3-6 will continue to do so.

If you are in receipt of the following support payments, your child will be entitled to receive FSM:

- Universal Credit – from 1 April 2018 provided you have an annual **net** earned income of no more than £7,400
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Support under part 6 of the [Immigration and Asylum Act 1999](#)
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income as assessed by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs (HMRC), that does not exceed £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on (the payment someone receives for a further four weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)

Applications can be made by following this link:

https://myforms.luton.gov.uk/service/Apply_for_free_school_meals?noLoginPrompt=1

Please ensure you are ordering and paying for your child's meal on Scopay in advance.

Best wishes



David Sansom
Headteacher