



Wednesday, 12 July 2017

Dear Parents / Carers,

### School Meal Price Increase

From the 6<sup>th</sup> September 2017, when the children return to school, there will be a price increase on all school meals. This is due to a direct increase in costs from Chartwells our school meal provider. The current cost is £2.10 per meal, this will increase to **£2.25** for all pupils in Years 3 to 6 who are not eligible for free school meals.

All pupils in year groups Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are eligible to universal free school meals and so there will be no cost for school meals if your child/ren are in these year groups.

Please can we remind parents that children are to make their choice of having a school meal or packed lunch at the beginning of each half term and that they are unable to change this until the start of the next half term.

### Free School Meals

You are eligible to receive free school meals if you are in receipt of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Universal Credit
- Child Tax Credit, but not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income (as assessed by the Inland Revenue) of no more than £16,190
- Guaranteed Element of State Pension Credit
- Being supported by the National Asylum Support Service (NASS)

If you are in receipt of any of the above, *even if your child is in receipt of universal free school meals*, please ensure that you apply for free school meals online via the London Borough of Hounslow website [www.hounslow.gov.uk/info/20008/schools\\_children\\_and\\_families](http://www.hounslow.gov.uk/info/20008/schools_children_and_families) this is because every child that is eligible for free school meals is also eligible for Pupil Premium funding.

### Pupil Premium Funding

The Pupil Premium is additional funding to raise the attainment of disadvantaged pupils of all abilities so they reach their potential. For each child that is registered as eligible for free school meals, at any point in the last 6 years, the school will receive an additional £1,320 in funding in order to aid the disadvantaged pupils within the school.

If you have any difficulty in completing the online form, please come to the school office and we will be able to assist you.

Kind regards

Mrs Sullivan  
School Businss Manager