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Dear parents/carers

Re: School dinners

I am writing to advise you about the increase in cost of school meals to £2.70 per day, which is £13.50 a week. If you wish your child to have school meals from September 2025 you will need to pay for this weekly or termly **both in advance**, unless you pay by direct Debit which is taken in arrears. Any days your child is absent from school will be credited on your account. Ordering & payment is via School Grid. Please see the school website for more information.

Cost per day: £2.70

Cost per week: £13.50

Free School Meals

We will no longer be directing you to Bury Council who can often take days or weeks before notifying both yourself and school that you are eligible. You will now be able to make the application quickly online and will know within minutes if you are eligible.

Even if you are not eligible now, the new system receives updates regularly and will notify us if a change in circumstances means you become eligible in future.

NO NEED TO REAPPLY THE SYSTEM DOES IT FOR YOU.



If you think you are entitled to Free School Meals (income based) or are not sure, you can check this easily at: apply.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/thecollectivecommunitytrust

It is simple! Click the link above TODAY, even if you think you may not be eligible now.

Or pop in to the school office with your national insurance number and we will check it for you.



If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the School Office.

Normal criteria is:

- Universal Credit - Your earned income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)
- Income Support
- income-based Job Seekers Allowance
- income-related Employment Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit, providing you do not get Working Tax Credit, and your annual gross income is less than £16,190
- guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

If your claim is successful, your child will continue to receive a free school meal daily. The school also receives additional funds per child entitled to free school meals which can be spent on additional support, resources or experiences for the children. We ask that you make a claim even if your child has a packed lunch so we can access the funding.

If you have any queries, please get in touch with the school office.

Kind regards

Mrs Taylor, Business Manager

