

14 October 2024

Dear families,

### School Meal Price Increase

Our school meal provider, Bradford Council have advised that due to rising costs for ingredients and staffing, schools will need to increase the price of a lunch for those children who are not eligible for free school meals.

We are sorry to have to pass on this cost to families- we know that many of you will be experiencing financial challenges already.

From 4 November, our school meal prices will be as follows:

<b>Year Group</b>	<b>Price</b>
Nursery 30 Hours	<b>£2.20</b>
Reception, Year 1, Year 2	<i>Remain free to all children as part of Universal Infant Free School Meal Scheme</i>
Years 3, 4, 5 and 6	<b>£2.40</b>

We strongly recommend that all families consider applying for the 'Free School Meals' benefit on the Bradford Council web. You can apply for school meals if you receive:

- Income Support
- Income Based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income Related Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit with an annual income of less than £16,190, provided you are not receiving Working Tax Credit
- the 'Guaranteed' element of the State Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Universal Credit with an annual net earned income threshold of less than £7,400

The application is very easy to complete and you will find out immediately whether you are eligible. The council will then inform us in school so we can adjust your child's records. The link to the webpage is:

<https://www.bradford.gov.uk/benefits/applying-for-benefits/free-school-meals/>

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs Greenwood  
Principal

