



Dear Parents and Carers

### Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2023 – Meal Arrangements

We are always keen to carefully secure and invest the school's budget and resources as we seek to provide the very best opportunities and outcomes for your children. This is particularly the case at the moment as school budgets are as tight as they have ever been.

With this in mind Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January is an important day for us – it is on this day that central government count how many children, who qualify for free school meals, actually take up this offer. Over the coming months our school is then given funds to support the cost of meals on the basis of the number children counted on this single day.

As you can imagine we are keen ensure that this reflects accurately the number of children in our school that we provide with free meals – at our school this is high compared to the national average, so these funds are very important to us.

With this in mind we will be providing a school meal for **all** children who qualify for free school meals on this day. This is an ideal opportunity for your child to try school meals if they do not do so usually – they can even bring a packed lunch too if they would rather just 'have a try' of a school meal on this occasion.

If you think that your child may qualify for free school meals or you are not sure and would like us to help you check then please get in touch with a member of the school office team who will be happy to help.

Thanks in advance for your support in getting behind this special meal day which can make such a difference to our school – if your child qualifies for free school meals, please help them to choose an option from the menu below, even if just for a taster!

#### Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January - Menu

Burger in a bun

Quorn hot dog

Chips, Peas and Baked Beans

Jacket Potato

Deli Bar

Tomato Pasta

Strawberry Jelly, Honey Cookie and Vanilla Ice Cream

Yours sincerely

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