

25th June 2020

Dear Parents/Carers of pupils currently in Year 2

## Re: School Dinners

As you may be aware, the Government currently funds school dinners for those pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. However, when children move up into Years 3 and above, parents/carers must either choose to pay for school dinners or provide a packed lunch.

Therefore, from September 2020 any school dinners your child has will be chargeable, unless your child has been granted free school meals by North Yorkshire County Council for financial reasons.

At Brotherton & Byram C.P. Academy, the catering service for school dinners is provided by GFM Ltd, who currently charge £2.30 per day. This means that a full week of school dinners currently costs £11.50 per week. (Please note that this may be subject to a price increase from September 2020, in which case parents will be notified immediately). Meals must be paid for in advance online using the Parentpay system. You can also choose to pay a larger sum if you wish, from which meals will be deducted as they are taken.

If dinner money balances go into arrears, i.e. children are having school dinners which haven't been paid for, payment request letters will be sent and packed lunches will have to be provided from home until the debt is cleared.

If you have any queries regarding this please do not hesitate to get in touch.

If you feel that you may be eligible to apply for free school meals please visit <a href="http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/article/25811/Free-school-meals">http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/article/25811/Free-school-meals</a> for more information or to apply online.

Best wishes

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