

George Street Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

New school Menu for Summer Term

We will be sending home the new Summer menu by the end of term which will start after the Easter Holidays. Please can I ask that you keep this safe so that you can help support your child with their choices.

Unfortunately there will be an increase in costs from 1st April 2024 for KS2 (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6) which will be £3.00 per day - £15 per week. This is unavoidable with the increase in the national Minimum Wage which has been imposed by the government by 10%.

Children in F2, Year 1 and Year 2 are still currently entitled to a free meal which is covered by a Government scheme UFSM (Universal Free School Meals). We have a number of children who do not currently take advantage of this scheme so if you would like your child to give it a try with the new menu this could be a good time. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to come in and speak to myself or the admin team.

Please note that whether your child receives a free meal, under the Universal Free School Meal initiative, or if you pay for meals, your child can still choose a meal on a daily basis without the need to order in advance. They can request a meal as little as once a week or as often as required.

If your child is in KS2, please make sure that school dinners are paid for in advance. Our preferred method of payment is via School Comms.Please speak to myself or the admin team if this is not possible.

If you think you may be entitled to Free School Meals please call into the school office where the staff will be happy to help with an application for you. This is usually for parents who are in receipt of Universal credits. This scheme is called the Pupil Premium Grant which is used primarily by school to help children eligible for the PPG achieve academic success similar to their peers.

Yours sincerely Portia Ward Business Manager