

15th July 2022

School lunches

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have learned that our school lunch provider will be raising their school dinner price next year to meet the increased cost of food, energy and transport. This has not come as a shock as stated in communication I sent to families in March.

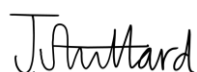
Following conversations with our Local Governing Body, the cost of our lunches will be £2.40 per day (£12 per week – an increase of 75p). This lunch cost increase was carefully considered and is in line with other local schools.

It may be helpful to note that our lunch provider cost is agreed for the next academic year and so we do not expect a price review until this time next year. It may also be good to know that we have found this summer term menu to be the best yet, which we have communicated with the provider moving forwards.

As you will know, all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 have their lunches paid for nationally. Parents of these children **and** parents of children in Years 3 – 6 may be able to apply for free school meals if you access certain financial support, such as income-based Jobseeker's Allowance, Child Tax Credit, Universal Credit or Income Support. The full eligibility list and to apply is [here](#). At Bowling Green Academy, eligibility to free school meals also means support with uniform and trip/visitors costs.

The Governors and I hope that you will appreciate why this decision has been made. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions, specifically about accessibility to free school meals. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,



Jamie Stuttard,

Principal