

Edgewood Primary School

Building skills and values for life

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Dear Parent/Carer,

School Meal Price Increase

I am writing to inform you that, due to continued rising costs, we are having to increase the price of school meals. This decision hasn't been taken lightly, and we have been in consultation with our current provider Coombs Catering, to work out a solution that is cost effective for everyone. With the significantly higher costs that we are now facing with increasingly higher food prices and staff wages rises, we are now at the point where we need to look again at our price per meal costs.

Overall, the costs will increase by 25p each meal, which means meals will rise to £2.75. This increase will take effect from 1st January 2026.

In comparison, Nottinghamshire County Council catering currently charge £3.20 per meal. Research has also shown that the current cost of a packed lunch is in excess of £4.00 per day, so we are still able to offer extremely good value for money each day.

The Government are currently continuing to fund Universal Infant Free School meals. and this means that all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 can be provided with a school meal free of charge. If your child is in Years 3-6, they can also have a free school meal if you are in receipt of certain benefits. Please visit Nottinghamshire County Council's website for more information on how to apply https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/education/school-meals/free-school-meals-and-milk

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to speak to us. All queries and requests for support are confidential.

Thank you for your support and understanding.

Mr E Seeley Headteacher











GOOMBS

Coombs Catering Partnership is delighted to be your school meal provider. Our home cooked meals are freshly prepared and cooked daily in the school kitchen using the finest quality ingredients.

So why should you opt for a school lunch?

School lunches are a fantastic way to encourage your child to try new things, learn the correct way to behave properly during their meal and teach them how to correctly and safely use cutlery.

Making food fun!

Throughout the school year we will be organising themed days that could be linked in with school curriculum, promotions, competitions, invite a parent to lunch days and taster sessions.

Lunch Time

Each child is offered an option of either a traditional homemade meat or vegetarian meal accompanied with seasonal vegetables, daily salad/fruit pots, freshly baked bread, dessert or yoghurt.

Please look out for the new weekly menus that will be available soon.





