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Dear Parents and Carers,

Increase to School Meals Cost

We do everything we can to keep our meal increase here at school to a minimum, you may be aware that costs for catering have, in recent times, increased significantly across the sector.

Whilst we have done all we can to protect the quality of food, portion sizes and the overall menu offer whilst keeping prices to a minimum, our school meal price will increase slightly to a new amount of £2.61. This is a £0.11 increase on the current price. This increase will come into effect from 2 October 2025.

Children in receipt of Free School Meals will receive the full amount of this daily, to cover the cost of their main school meal.

Within our lunch provision, £2.61 covers the cost of a hot main meal (including options of jacket potato and pasta), or a baguette, and a hot pudding or sweet treat.

If your child does not yet qualify for Free School Meals, but you believe they should, please apply through Staffordshire County Council. [The link is here](#)

For any further queries regarding Free School Meals or the proposed increase in meal cost, please contact us by email to enquiries@hartschool.org.uk.

Yours sincerely,

Miss R Sandham
Principal