

Tuesday 12<sup>TH</sup> July 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

## **RE: School Dinners**

We are pleased to inform you that the negotiation of a new contract with our current school meal suppliers, Chartwells, has meant that we are able to reduce the cost of a school dinner to **£2.10** per day (£10.50 a week) from September 2022.

Rockliffe Manor School has its own kitchen and meals are prepared daily by our wonderful chef Gail. There is a choice of meat or vegetarian main dish, salad and dessert with water available throughout meal times. You will find the current menu until October 2022 attached.

## Free School Meals

Children in years Reception to Year 2 are all entitled to free school meals as part of the universal meal scheme funded by the Government.

Free school meals are available to children from Years 3-6 whose parents are in receipt of eligible benefits including:

- Universal Credit with an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400.
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than £16,190, as assessed by HMRC.
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.

If you think you are entitled to Free School Meals, please go to

<u>https://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals</u> if the application is successful, please do let the school know as soon as possible so we may make the necessary arrangements. If you have any problems accessing the online application, please contact the school office.

## **Online Payment**

We are a cashless school and from September will have the Parental Portal / Arbor App for online payments (debit/credit and bank transfer). This means that parents of children from **Years 3 to 6** are able to make all school meal payments via smartphone or website. You will also be able to view your school meal balances and top up anytime.

You will still be able to make all payments via <u>ParentPay</u> until Friday 22nd July, after which we will transfer all balances ready for when we switch to Arbor for all payments. Just a friendly reminder that we expect your child's account to be fully paid by the summer break with no debts being carried over.

Finally, please may we remind you, for administrative purposes, that we ask you to make the choice for school dinner or packed lunch on a termly basis and keep the school office informed of any changes.





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If you have any questions or comments, please don't hesitate to contact the school office.

As always, thank you for your continued support.

Best Wishes

Nancy Cook Associate Head teacher

