



GREENWOOD ACADEMIES TRUST

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Dear Families

Across the country families, businesses, schools and hospitals are all facing rising costs for fuel and food and these costs are continuing to increase. We at Greenwood Academies Trust have tried to absorb as much of these costs as possible and kept price rises of school meals at a minimum. However, we cannot continue to do this and it is with regret that we will have to increase the cost of our school meals across our Trust.

From September 2026 the cost of a school meal will be £3.10 and the cost of individual items in the canteen will see a 20% increase.

Please remember your child might be eligible for a Free School Meal if you receive any of the following benefits:

- Income support Income based job seekers allowance Income related employment and support allowance Universal credit as an annual household earnings of less than £7400
- Child tax credit combined with both a household income below £16,190 a year and not in receipt of any working tax credit
- Support under VI one of the immigration and asylum act 1999
- Guarantee element of state pension

Every child in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 across the country receives a Free School Meal without families applying. However, if your child is in Reception and Key Stage 1 and is eligible for a Free School Meal (following the criteria above) I would encourage you to apply as your child's academy will receive additional funding called the 'Pupil Premium'.

I am sorry to that we have to increase the costs of school meals. This is a decision taken by me not the Principal of your child's academy. I would ask if you have any questions or comments about this that you direct them to me not the academy. The best way to reach me is by using my direct email – wayne.norrie@greenwoodacademies.org

Yours Sincerely

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Every Child, Every Academy, Every Day