

Bessacarr Primary

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Dear Parent / Carer,

School Meals September 2018

In September the cost of a school dinner will increase to £2.40 per day. Unfortunately it has been necessary to make this increase due to ever rising costs.

As in previous years dinner money must be paid in advance and is due on the Monday morning for that week. You can also choose to pay monthly, half termly or termly in advance if you prefer. Payments must be made via parent pay. Failure to keep your child's dinner money account up to date will result in them being removed from school meals and you will have to provide a packed lunch.

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Universal Credit - If you apply on or after 1 April 2018, your annual net earned income must be no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to 3 of your most recent assessment periods.
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit but not Working Tax Credit and your annual income is below £16,190 (as worked out by HM Revenue & Customs)
- Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Parents receiving Working Tax Credit for four weeks after their employment finishes are entitled to free school meals during that period. This also applies to parents who start working less than 16 hours per week

You can apply for free school meals at www.doncaster.gov.uk/apply-for-it/free-school-meals-application

If your child currently has school meals and would like to swap to packed lunches, please inform us in writing via email to admin@bessacarr.doncaster.sch.uk by 31st August. If your child wants to swap over once the school year has started this can be done by giving a full half term notice in writing and must stay on their chosen choice for the full half term.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs A M Patterson
Head Teacher

