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Friday 3rd March 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

School Meal Provision

I am writing to inform you of changes to the school meal prices that will come into effect from Tuesday 18th April 2023 following the Easter holidays.

As you may be aware, the school currently purchases school lunches as a package from North Yorkshire Education Services (NYES). The package includes food, management and the salaries of kitchen staff – all of which have increased in price recently.

At present, we charge £2.60 per child, per meal, which is still below the charge to school of £3.49 for Ripley Endowed CE Primary School. Until now, each meal has been subsidised out of the school budget however due to the increased costs from January 2023, we will need to increase our meal prices by 10% in line with inflation and to reduce the subsidy we cover.

With this in mind, our prices will increase to £2.90 per meal from Tuesday 18th April 2023.

If you have any outstanding school dinner debts, we ask that these are paid in full by Friday 10th March so you do not find yourselves in further debt as we have a financial duty of care to our parents and carers.

If you or someone you know is struggling with debt then please contact National Debt Advice: https://nationaldebtline.org/

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any queries or questions regarding school meals.

Warmest regards,

Miss V Kirkman

Executive Headteacher