

3rd November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Increase in School Meal Charges from January 2026

We are writing to inform you that we are increasing the cost of school meals with effect from 1st January 2026. The cost of a meal deal will increase from £2.60 to £2.75. Individual items not purchased as part of the meal deal will increase in line with the meal deal.

We are sorry to have to increase prices during the academic year, but after reviewing our costs for delivery of the service last year, we feel that we have no choice. Even with this increase, school budgets still significantly subsidise the service at a time when the funding offer for schools is already challenging.

We always explore all possible cost-saving measures before making the decision to pass costs to parents and carers, and we will continue to do so.

Prices have been benchmarked against other Trusts and will still remain one of the lowest.

We understand this news may pose challenges for some families, and we would encourage you to check if your child qualifies for free school meals via the link below. If you need any support with this, please contact the school through their usual communication channels.

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals/kingston-upon-hull>

If you have any queries regarding this, please do not hesitate to contact us via the usual methods.

Yours sincerely



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