

28th June 2022

New School Meal Price from 5th September 2022

Dear Families

We have held our price for school meals at East Dene Primary School very successfully for many years, however despite our best efforts the current price does not enable us to cover the total cost of the school meals at the School. This means that we must raise the cost. We did explore other alternatives but unfortunately to subsidise school meals from other areas of our stretched budget would mean that money available for teaching and learning would be impacted.

As a result, we have taken the decision that the price of a school meal will increase to £2.50 per meal from September 2022. This is in line with other local schools some of whom already charge £2.50.

This change will not affect those who are entitled to free school meals through the Universal Free School Meals Programme in Reception and in years 1 and 2. It will also not affect children in Key Stage 2 who have access to free school meals. **If you are unsure about your eligibility for this please speak to the School Office (01709 512202) who would be happy to assist you. Alternatively, if you would prefer, you can email confidentially on: enquiries@eastdene.org**

East Dene school use the Wolverhampton checking service for all Free School Meal claims.

If you pay for school meals please remember to log into your Pay360 account to ensure payments are kept up to date. If you are having problems with this please see the office staff to get this resolved as we would prefer you to use this for payments.

If there is a difficulty in providing payment of meals, please contact the school office as soon as possible. All queries and requests for support are confidential and we will always work with families to ensure that a solution is found.

Kind Regards



Mrs L Ridge
Headteacher