

## Little Heaton C E Primary School

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Dear Parents / Carers

## **School Meal Price Increase**

It is with regret that we will be increasing the cost of school meals from  $1^{st}$  April 2023.

Fresh Kitchen, a not for profit organisation, who provide the meal service to school have informed us that they have, as with everyone, noticed an increase in food prices and are unable to absorb this increase any longer. They are working very hard behind the scenes to ensure good quality food at competitive prices.

To relieve the financial pressure to parents and carers, the council are proposing to continue to subsidise the increase in cost to the sum of £165k (approximately 61% of the estimated subsidy requirement) and therefore reduce the 2023/24 estimated price per meal costs to schools from £2.85 to **£2.70 per meal, £13.50 per week**.

If you wish for your child to continue with school dinners then you don't need to do anything. However, if your child wishes to change onto packed lunches after the Easter holidays then please inform the office before we finish for Easter.

Kind regards,

Mrs S Hamer Headteacher



