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Dear Parents/Carers

I would like to say a huge thank you for your support and understanding regarding school catering over the first part of the autumn term. Over the last few weeks, we have gradually introduced changes resulting in all the children eating in the dinner hall and all children being offered a hot meal.

The main issue with this has been the timings to facilitate all 336 children eating in the dinner hall given the constraints of year groups not mixing or being in the hall at the same time as well as allowing the staff time to sufficiently clean in between groups.

We understand that the older children (Years 2-4) have felt rushed at times and are therefore pleased to share that following the half term break we will be introducing changes which will enable:

- a) All children to have the opportunity to have a hot meal.
- b) A more relaxed time period in which to eat.

The compromise to this is that (in the first instance) the year 3 and 4 children will alternate eating in the dinner hall and the classroom on a weekly basis. All children eating in the hall will be served their meals on the trays as normal. For those children eating in the classrooms 'Hot Boxes' will be introduced as these allow the meals to be delivered to the classrooms. The children will be provided with cutlery. If we find that the 'Hot Boxes' and new menus speed up service, we will of course endeavour to facilitate all children eating in the dinner hall but at this point ensuring all children have the opportunity to eat a hot meal is our priority.

Details are still being finalised and we await to see how it works in November. We will also seek feedback from the children after an initial period.

Yours sincerely

Rebecca Turner

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Hot Meal in Box & Packed Lunch Week 1

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Quorn Frankfurter in a Bun or Hot Dog in a Bun Chips Fresh Salad	Homemade Cheese & Tomato Pizza Potato Croquette Cucumber Sticks	BBQ Chicken Fillet or BBQ Quorn Fillet in Bun Country Diced Potato Carrot Sticks	Meatball or Quorn Meatball Sub Seasoned Potato Wedges Pepper Sticks	Fish Fingers Chips Fresh Salad
Jacket Potato Choice of Fillings	Jacket Potato Choice of Fillings	Jacket Potato Choice of Fillings	Jacket Potato Choice of Fillings	Jacket Potato Choice of Fillings
Sandwich Packed Lunch	Sandwich Packed Lunch	Sandwich Packed Lunch	Sandwich Packed Lunch	Sandwich Packed Lunch
Lemon Drizzle Cup Cake A choice of Milk / Water / Juice	Oaty Cookie A choice of Milk / Water / Juice	Frozen Strawberry Yoghurt A choice of Milk / Water / Juice	Shortbread Finger A choice of Milk / Water / Juice	Chocolate Muffin A choice of Milk / Water / Juice

Hot Meal in Box or Packed Lunch Week 2

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Beef Burger in a Bun or Quorn Burger in a Bun Seasoned Potato Wedges Cucumber Sticks	Quorn Style Dippers or Chicken Nuggets Hash Brown Fresh Salad Selection	Sausage Roll or Cheese Roll Country Diced Potato Cucumber Sticks	Southern Baked Chicken Fillet or Quorn Fillet Wrap with Garlic Mayo Jacket Potato Wedges Fresh Salad Selection	Fish Portion Chips Fresh Salad Bag
Jacket Potato Choice of Fillings	Jacket Potato Choice of Fillings	Jacket Potato Choice of Fillings	Jacket Potato Choice of Fillings	Jacket Potato Choice of Fillings
Sandwich Packed Lunch	Sandwich Packed Lunch	Sandwich Packed Lunch	Sandwich Packed Lunch	Sandwich Packed Lunch
Fruity Flapjack A choice of Milk / Water / Juice	Chocolate Brownie A choice of Milk / Water / Juice	Apple Crumble Muffin A choice of Milk / Water / Juice	Orange Drizzle Cup Cake A choice of Milk / Water / Juice	Frozen Toffee Yoghurt A choice of Milk / Water / Juice