



# Christ Church Primary SW9

*A school for everyone*

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Dear Parents/Carers,

## Increase in price of school meals

We have managed to hold our price for school meals at Christ Church Primary SW9 for a few years now at £1.75 per lunch. However, despite our best efforts the price of £1.75 is too low when compared to the actual cost to the school of each meal. As a result we have taken the decision that the price of the school meal will increase to £1.95 per meal from 1<sup>st</sup> May 2017. This is in line with other similar schools in our local area some of whom are charging more.

***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 of your eligibility for this please speak to the School Office (020 7735 1343) who will be happy to assist you.***

Please note that your free school meal status is absolutely confidential and will always remain so - if you are eligible, or think you might be, and you're not currently claiming then please do check with us, as it's to the benefit of both you and the school that we properly claim for free school meals. There is more information available on our school website.

Please note, school meals are ordered in advance on a termly basis. If you wish to switch your child's meal preferences from packed lunch to school meals or vice versa, please ensure you give a term's notice by informing the school office to prevent any additional charges.

Should your child wish to have a packed lunch, parents/carers are asked to provide a nutritious packed lunch (in a suitable container) in line with our Healthy School status. We like to encourage healthy eating so please remember we do not allow chocolate, crisps, sweets or fizzy drinks in lunch boxes. Any of these items found in lunch boxes will be removed and given back at the end of the school day.

We are very proud of our school meals that are cooked on site every day and which make a big contribution to the health and educational wellbeing of all our children. We're very sorry that we're having to put the price up, however, we will continue to subsidise the cost of these meals for as long as possible (they cost us more than £1.95). The current level, however, is unsustainable given the demands on our budget and future cuts in funding.

If you have any queries regarding any of the above please contact the school office. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Jayne Mitchell  
Executive Headteacher



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