Important information regarding changes to

**FREE SCHOOL MEALS FOR ALL INFANT CHILDREN**

**Did you know?**

• All infants are eligible for a universal free school meal

• This applies to EVERY child who will be in reception, year 1 and year 2 regardless of income or other entitlements.

• Allows your child to try different foods every day which are freshly prepared and nutritionally balanced.

• By taking advantage of the universal free school meal offer you will save £12.00 per child, per week.

The school meals service requires consistency in meal numbers therefore:

It is no longer an option for your child to change from school meals to packed lunch on a daily basis.

This will enable the service to forward plan, operate efficiently, ensure children get the food of their choice, minimise food wastage and ensure the service receives the correct funding for meals provided.

**It is important that you complete the form below to inform us of your preferred option.**

The section below must be completed for each child and returned to your child’s school as soon as possible

Please note:

**If you opt your child in, your child will be served a school lunch every day.**

**If you choose to opt your child out of the scheme you will be required to provide your child with a packed lunch daily.**

**Please state yes or no in the box for your preferred option:**

**I DO wish my child to have a universal free school meal everyday**

**I DO NOT wish my child to have a universal free school meal**

**Child’s name: …………………………………………..............................……….**

**School attending: …………………………………………………………….........**

**Parent/Guardian’s name ……………………………..................................................……**

**Signature ………………………............................................……**

**Date:........................................**