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Dear Parents and Carers

As you are all aware food prices are still on the increase. Many prices by 15/20% or in some cases even more.

WSM are committed to feeding our children well, using fresh ingredients, cooked from scratch wherever possible. It is with this in mind and to ensure we can continue to do so that from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024 the cost of a school meal will increase to £2.45. An increase of only 4p per day/20p per week and increase of just 1.6%

After yesterdays' announcement from the Government with regards to the minimum wage going up by 9.8% in April we also anticipate a further increase in September of this year. We will of course communicate that with you nearer the time.

I am sure you will agree that this is still great value for money for a healthy, 2 course lunch and we thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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