



in God's hands

ST. IGNATIUS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mr. C.J. Bonner

11th June 2021

Dear Parents / Carers of Year 2 children,

RE: End of Universal Free School Meals for children in Year 2

As your child will be going into Year 3 in September, the scheme of universal free school meals which began in September 2014 will now end on Friday 23rd July 2021.

If you still wish for your child to have a school meal in September, it will be at a cost of **£13.75** per week. **The school no longer accepts cash.** So to pay for your child's dinner money, parents must either use the "ParentMail pay-on-line" system or pay by card using a card machine at the school office.

If you need assistance with this, the office staff will be happy to explain the process to you. You may also decide to give your child a packed lunch from home instead.

However, **if you are claiming benefits, your child might be eligible for free school meals.** So it is **very important that you apply to the local authority, Haringey Council.**

For more information on free school meals, please see the attached link. <https://www.haringey.gov.uk/children-and-families/schools-and-education/school-application-forms/free-school-meals-fsm-and-clothing-grant>

If you want to apply in person, **you must make an appointment** before visiting Haringey customer services; otherwise you will not be seen. **Please contact them on 0208 489 2280 beforehand.**
The Haringey Council customer services are situated in Wood Green Library, 187-197 High Road, London N22 6XD. Please take proof of the benefits you are receiving, the child's birth certificate and proof of child benefit payments.

Most of the time your application will be processed while you wait.

Please complete the slip below and return it to Mrs. Hibbert in the school office by **FRIDAY 25TH JUNE 2021.**

Yours sincerely
St Ignatius Administration Team

My child will be having a school meal. I will pay £13.75 per week *

My child will be having a school meal. I have a valid "Approval of Free Meal" certificate *
(Please bring a copy of the certificate to the school office)

My child will be having a packed lunch from home *
*(Please tick)

Name of child: Class.....

Signed: (Parent/Carer) Date