

21 December 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Catering Price Changes

I trust this finds you well.

This has been a very full and successful term for the Academy and I hope very much that you and your son/daughter enjoy a very joyous Christmas and time to rest and relax.

I have been unexpectedly away from the Academy this week and I have greatly missed so many of our events of celebration. I am immensely proud of our students and staff; I am privileged to lead such a vibrant and thoughtful community. I look forward to seeing everyone again when we return to the Academy on the **8th January 2018**.


My purpose for writing is to outline some price changes in our catering provision. As you are aware I am absolutely dedicated to providing good, attractive and tasty food for students at the most minimal charge possible. I love food, I see it as an extremely important part of Academy life and it is a symbol of our shared community and cordial hospitality. From January 2018, the catering tariff will be standardised across Carmel Education Trust. Any rise in price is due to an increase in the cost of food consumables purchased by the Academy. There are some small decreases in charge for a few items too.

As part of the review the Trust is introducing **additional meal deals to give your son/daughter greater variety and better value for money. The free school meal allowance will match the price of a meal deal at £2.15. Our revised menus with meal deals, will be published in the New Year and explained in more detail to students.** Please do ask and encourage your son/daughter to maximise the value of their food purchase, by opting for the meal deal.

I wish all students, families and staff a safe and peaceful holiday. Thank you for your partnership, it means so much. I will despatch my full letter to parents, together with our new student-led newsletter 'St. Michael's Matters' during the first week back.

I wish you a wonderful Christmas together and a very prosperous and healthy 2018.

With all good wishes,



**Andrew Ramsey**  
Principal



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