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Dear Parents/Carers,

We write to inform you that from **19th April 2021** our catering providers Aspens Select will unfortunately need to increase the cost of school meals from £2.15 to £2.34.

Aspens are increasing their prices to allow them to maintain the level of service and quality meals that pupils currently enjoy. They are confident that their prices remain competitive within the sector. Aspens produce healthy school meals which are cooked on the premises and are available each day using locally sourced fresh produce wherever possible. There is a three weekly rolling menu (changed twice a year) detailing each day's main course and dessert (with fresh fruit as an alternative). There is also a vegetarian option, jacket potato or sandwich option as main course.

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 about your eligibility, please complete the FSM application form via Torbay Councils website <https://forms.torbay.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals>. Can we also make you aware that there are many benefits to receiving free school meals. If your family might be entitled to free school meals, we would encourage you to make an application.

We are fully aware that this price increase may be coming at a difficult time for many families. The increase was due last year and has been delayed as long as possible but is unfortunately now unavoidable. Please do get in touch if you would like to discuss this or need any further help or advice.

If you have not already registered for the online meal ordering system, we encourage you to do so via Aspens Select <https://select.aspens-services.com/>. All meals must be paid for in advance.

Best Wishes

Ken Kies

Executive Head

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