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Dear Parents,

We are pleased to advise that following a review of our lunchtime timetable we are able to offer a hot meal for all children after half term. A copy of the menu is attached (also on our [website - lunch, milk and fruit](#)). We will continue to offer a halal meal every Wednesday.

Children in EYFS and Year 1 will continue to have their meals served on trays. Children in the remainder of the school will have their school lunches in a 'hotbox'. All children will have their lunch in the dining hall in year group bubbles.

As usual, children in Years 1-6 will be offered the menu choices at register time in the morning. Parents of children in EYFS should pre-order – see below.

Please let us know if you would like to change your child's meal pattern after half term and parents of children in Years 3-6 are reminded that meals should be paid for in advance please.

Free School Meals

We wrote to parents on 24th September regarding applying for Free School Meals. If your circumstances have changed it may be worth checking if you are eligible. It is quick and easy to check:

[-https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/schools-and-education/at-school/free-school-meals/free-school-meals.aspx](https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/schools-and-education/at-school/free-school-meals/free-school-meals.aspx)

[Although all children in EYFS and Key Stage 1 (Years 1 and 2) are entitled to a free school meal, if you qualify for benefit based FSM the school will be entitled to Pupil Premium funding for your child. He/she would also qualify for free milk and possibly music lessons (although the latter are not available presently).]

EYFS Parents ONLY

You will receive two copies of the menu. One to complete and return on Monday 19th October please. The second copy is for you to keep at home. Please contact us by Wednesday 18th November, if after the first three weeks you wish to change your choices.

Special Menu

If you have an agreed special menu with HCL we will send you two copies of the menu early next week. Please make your choices and return the school copy. Thank you.

If your child no longer requires a special menu then please login to your HCL account to advise them of this.

If you require a special menu for your child then please apply to HCL - <https://specialmenu.hcl.co.uk/>.

Thank you.

School Office