



HAMPSTEAD SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers

Hampstead School Catering – School Meals

I am writing to tell you about changes we are making to our school meals service at Hampstead School. Until now this has been provided through an external contractor managed by Camden. Our student leadership group has, over time, voiced concerns about the range and quality of the service on offer. With our building works complete we are now in a position to improve this. Consequently, as from 1 April 2018 Hampstead School will be delivering its meal service in-house which is exciting news for the school and its students. Margaret Johnson, (Business Manager), has been working on ensuring that this transition goes as smoothly as possible.

So what will be different when your children return after the Easter break?

- The school has made considerable investment as part of the Priority Building Schools Programme in the Dining Hall so that the students have a more positive experience of lunching together. This includes new furniture and signage to help students make healthy choices during lunch time.
- There will be changes in the menu choices offered – both hot and cold. “Fish and Chip Friday” remains on the menu and there will be a roast dinner every Wednesday.
- There will be a daily set meal deal offered – both hot and cold at a cost of £2.40 which includes a main course and a dessert.
- More healthy and flavourful options on offer – much requested by the students who were canvassed on their views via questionnaires.
- The 4-week menu cycle will be more prominently displayed in the Dining Hall and on the school’s website, as well as the price list.

Reminder note – that Hampstead School is a fully cashless school. All trips, school meals, lockers and all other provisions made by the school for which there is a charge can only be paid for through ParentPay. If you have not yet signed up to use the ParentPay system, I urge you to do so now.

Please remember to top-up your child/children’s ParentPay account before they return after the Easter break.

Yours sincerely

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