



Goostrey Community Primary School

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Dear Families

School meal price increase from January 2024

Cheshire East Catering, who provide our school meal service, have informed us they will be increasing the amount school is charged per meal, from January 2024. Cheshire East Council has announced a deficit in their expenditure, and they are legally not able to subsidise the school meal service, and must ensure the service funds itself from April 2024.

There has not been an increase in the amount charged since 2017-18, therefore this increase is not unexpected, but is higher than we anticipated.

The amount we are charged is being increased by 35p per meal, and the governing board have agreed we will have to pass this increase on, meaning from January, paid school meals will cost £2.75 per day.

This does not affect families who are registered as eligible for Income Related Free School Meals (IRFSM). For further details of this please visit https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schools/school-meals/free_school_meals.aspx and if you feel you meet the criteria, then please register your eligibility.

Yours sincerely

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