

Monday 24th July 2023

Dear parents/carers,

As you are aware, all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to Universal Free School Meals. Once your child joins Year 3 in September this universal benefit will cease.

Our Trust Catering Team will still be able to supply a meal at a cost of £2.60 per day. You can view a copy of the Autumn menu on our website [Healthy eating/lunch - Warberry C of E Academy \(warberry-lap.co.uk\)](https://www.warberry-lap.co.uk/healthy-eating-lunch-warberry-c-of-e-academy)

From September, you can order and pay online via MCAS [MyChildAtSchool - Login](#). If you have not yet activated your invitation email for this system, please do so as soon as possible.

Or alternatively, children can bring a packed lunch from home.

If you believe that you are eligible to claim benefit-related free school meals for your child, you can either collect a Free School Meal application form from the Academy office, or complete the Torbay Council application online [Application for free school meals \(torbay.gov.uk\)](https://www.torbay.gov.uk/application-for-free-school-meals). Even if you have an older child already eligible, a younger child will not automatically receive the eligibility until they are registered. Children who currently receive benefit-related free school meals will continue to do so into Year 3.

Due to our IT system and how lunch numbers will need to be confirmed, from September there will no longer be the facility for parents to order and pay for lunches **on the day**. As there are no credit options in place for school lunches, it is imperative that they are pre-ordered and pre-paid at least 24 hours in advance. You will be contacted in the morning and asked to provide a packed lunch if no school meal has been ordered.

Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the Academy office.

Yours sincerely,



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