



FEDERATION

The Grinling Gibbons and Lucas Vale Federation  
Executive Headteacher: Miss Jeanette Brumby

9<sup>th</sup> July 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

**Re: School Dinners in Year 3**

Your child will be in Year 3 in September 2019 and you will need to start considering lunch arrangements for the new academic year. **School dinners will no longer be free as this funding is only for pupils from Reception to Year 2.**

You have a number of options to consider for the upcoming year:

***Option 1—Paying for school dinners***

Your child could continue to eat school dinners. The cost of school dinners currently is £2.30 per day. This equals to **£437.00 over the year**. You can pay this weekly or monthly in advance or the whole amount in advance at the start of the year. You can pay in cash or we could help you set up an extremely easy online payment facility. Please be aware that if you fall into arrears for longer than a week we will have to stop the school dinners and you will need to send your child in with a packed lunch until the debt has been cleared.

***Option 2—Applying for Free School Meals***

If you would like your child to continue eating school dinners but you are not sure you can afford it, you could apply for Free School Meals. If you are eligible, this will not only pay for your child's school dinners but we will also receive an additional funding of £1,300 to help support your child's learning with additional activities and resources.

***Option 3—Packed Lunch***

Please check our School Dinners menu available from our Reception Office. Our menu is nutritious and caters for all types of dietary requirements. If, for any reason, you decide for your child not to eat school dinners then you can send your child in with a packed lunch.

Please do contact our Reception Team for information on any of the above options and we will be happy to assist you.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. Timur Kay  
Executive Business Manager