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Dear Parent / Carer

School Meals Pricing

Along with a new term we have an exciting new menu for our students who choose to use the onsite catering facilities. We have worked hard with our catering contractor South West Norse to provide different menu options using high quality local ingredients that are freshly prepared by our catering team. Please see below a link to this term's menu.

www.southdartmoor.devon.sch.uk/page/?title=School+Meals&pid=53

As you will be aware from your own shopping baskets and media coverage, food prices have risen significantly since Brexit and the pandemic. Until now we have been able to absorb the cost of these increases. However, we have had to make the difficult decision to apply a price increase across our whole catering provision. This will be the first all-inclusive price increase since September 2019. To support this price increase, the Free School Meal allowance is increasing from £2.40 to £2.65. Prices on other menu choices have had to increase slightly, but wherever possible we have tried keeping this to a minimum. If you are not currently in receipt of Free School Meals but feel that you may be eligible, please follow the following link.

www.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/school-information/school-meals/

Last term, thanks to funding secured by the College's PTA – FOSDA 'Friends of South Dartmoor Association' we were able to increase the daily spending limit for Free School Meal students from £2.40 to £3.40. We anticipate that the remaining funds will support a further increase in the free school meal amount until we break for October half term from £2.65 to £3.65. If you have any questions, please contact Reception enquires@southdartmoor.devon.sch.uk.

Yours sincerely

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