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Update on Free School Meals

Good morning everyone!

I know a few parents have asked why school is currently providing packed lunches for children entitled to free school meals and not vouchers, so I wanted to explain our situation to you.

Whilst the government has suggested schools will distribute vouchers, they have not yet committed to funding the vouchers, and so we would need to pay for them out of our own (very tight!) budget which would reduce spending on pupil resources.

We have a contract with FM Catering who provide all our meals. That contract cannot be stopped and so we would have to pay for the contract AND vouchers. We wouldn’t be able to claim the money back from the government.

I hope that makes the situation a little clearer. Thank you so much for your understanding and patience whilst we wait for clarity.

Stay safe,

Mrs Morgan

Deputy Headteacher







 

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