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Dear Parent/Guardian,

As you may be aware Denbighshire County Council's School Meals Service is one of the top performing local authority catering services. This reflects our commitment to providing the best possible experience for pupils in Denbighshire's schools.

It is widely recognised that eating a nutritionally balanced school meal has a positive impact on a child's ability to concentrate throughout the afternoon and providing a healthy, varied menu for all school pupils remains our priority.

We have and continue to work extremely hard with our suppliers to control the cost of food, without compromising on the quality of the meals we provide. As you will be aware from the rising prices of food the cost of producing a meal is rising significantly. In order to maintain our current high standards, regrettably it is necessary to increase our charges.

Therefore, from 1st April 2023, we will reluctantly be increasing the cost of school meals by 5p per meal. This will mean primary school meals will rise to £2.50 per day. The equivalent cost of free school meals will also rise accordingly.

Despite this price rise, we believe Denbighshire's School Meals Service continues to provide excellent value for money and have ensured we remain amongst the most competitive in Wales on price and quality.

Investment in the quality of the meals provided will remain our priority. This will ensure standards remain high and we continue to be one of the UK's best schools catering services.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

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