



8 January 2026

## School Dinners on Census Day – Thursday 15 January 2026

Dear Parents,

We are writing to you because **we need your help and support**. The funding that the school receives for the year to provide 'Universal Free School Meals' for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 is based upon how many children have a school dinner on one particular day. It is not just given based on how many children you have in those year groups. Therefore, the more children who have a school dinner on census day the better funded your child's school is.

**Census Day for Key Stage 1 is Thursday 15 January 2026.** The menu on that day will include Chicken Burger and Margherita Pizza, both served with wedges and sweetcorn.

So that we are offering all children of the school the same opportunity, the catering team will be providing the same menu for children in Key Stage 2, who are either entitled to a free school meal or choose to purchase a school dinner.

Children are to select their meal choice as normal on Arbor. If you have already selected a meal choice for this day, please check that you are happy with the following choices:

	Meal choice showing on Arbor...	This will be replaced with....
Meat option	Cheese and Tomato Pizza slice	Chicken Burger with wedges and sweetcorn
Veg option	Spanish Spinach & Chickpeas	Margherita Pizza with wedges and sweetcorn

All other meal choices: jacket potato, tomato pasta, cheese roll and chicken tikka mayo roll will also be served on this day.

The rest of the week's menu (week 2) will remain the same.

It would be amazing if you and your children could support the school by having a school dinner on this day.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,



Tony Head  
Headteacher