

## **Edgewood Primary School**

## Building skills and values for life

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Dear parents / carers,

## **School meal price increase**

Over the last 5 years since we moved away from NCC catering, school and our current catering providers (Coombs Catering Ltd.) have worked incredibly hard to keep our school meal prices at £2.25, consistently cheaper than Nottinghamshire County Council's charge.

In the face of recent much higher inflation, especially on food, we have so far been able to absorb these costs and prevent a price increase. Unfortunately, this is no longer sustainable, and we have no option but to increase our school meal price for the first time since 2018.

When we return from our Easter break on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April, our new school meal price will be £2.40. While we appreciate that any increase in costs will be difficult for many families at the moment, this is still a lower than inflation price rise (less than 7%).

This price increase will count for all meals served from Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April, regardless of when you book them on iPay. Please note this meal price is still cheaper than schools that buy their catering from Nottinghamshire County Council Catering as well as having the higher portion size and quality of ingredients that we have come to know from Coombs Catering.

Yours faithfully,

Ed Seeley,

Headteacher





