



Dear St Thomas Catholic Academies Trust,

As you will be aware and has been widely reported, the cost of food has continued to rise significantly.

We care deeply about the students we serve and we have been working hard to manage soaring inflation by absorbing costs and adapting our menus.

Despite our best efforts, sustained high levels of inflation now require us to raise the individual food and retail items by 10% and the Free School Meal price to £2.70, this will commence on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

Please note, all prices will need to be amended on School Money on the afternoon of Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

Both increases will ensure that we can continue to provide pupils a choice of nutritious meals and catering for those with allergies while continuing to meet the School Food Standards.

Once again, the decision has not been taken lightly. We will continue to do all that we can to mitigate inflation and provide you the best value for money.

Kind Regards

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