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Dear Parent/Carer

Re. Purchasing food and drinks at Fir Vale Academy from the School Canteen, Academic Year 2026/27

Please find key information for when your child purchases food and drinks at the School Canteen.

Free School Meals

If your child receives free school meals, they will have a free school meal allowance of £3.20 daily towards their lunch meal only. If your child would like to eat or drink something at morning break, or purchase something that costs more than £3.20 at lunch time, they can bring cash to school and use their finger print at one of the machines to top up their account, or you can top up their account using ParentPay (please contact the school if you need support setting up ParentPay). Please note, there is an overall £6 spend limit per day.

Non-free school meals

If your child is not eligible for free school meals, please ensure they have sufficient funds on their account to spend at morning break and lunch to purchase food and drinks. They can bring cash to school and use their finger print at one of the machines to top up their account, or you can top up their account using ParentPay (please contact the school if you need support setting up ParentPay). Please note, there is an overall £6 spend limit per day.

School break and lunch debt policy

Fir Vale Academy is committed to ensuring all children have access to school meals. We are also committed to ensuring that children (where possible) do not accumulate debt (money owed for school meals where children have been allowed access to meals despite not having the funds).

If a child does not have money on their dinner account, the Reception Team will allow a 1-day canteen pass. A phone call will be made to parent/carers on the same afternoon, to advise that they send pack lunch with their child until the dinner debt is cleared. Our school Safeguarding Team will be contacted if there are any concerns.

Menus

The school dinner menus can be found on our [website](#).

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact the school and ask for Mr Khan.

Yours faithfully,
m.khan

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Principal: Mr Danny Bullock

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