

St Matthew Academy

St Joseph's Vale, Blackheath, London SE3 0XX

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Dear Parents and Carers

Please be advised that from Wednesday 5 January 2022 there will be a small price increase to the cost of some items on the school meal menu, the Academy has not increased the prices since September 2019.

Please see the table below for the updated prices.

St Matthews Academy Lunch Prices		
Item	Current Price	New Price
Meal Deal (Hot meal / Panini / Sandwich and small drink or dessert)	£2.40	£2.45
Hot Main Meal	£1.90	£2.00
Panini	£1.90	£1.95
Sandwich	£1.80	£1.85
Box salad Chicken / Tuna	£2.30	£2.30
Jacket Potato + 1 topping	£1.55	£1.60
Extra topping	£0.35	£0.35
Pasta Pot	£1.90	£2.00
Dessert including cookies & cakes	£0.85	£0.90
Jelly / Fruit pot	£0.85	£0.85
Various Extras	from £0.45 to £0.75	from £0.50 to £0.90
Drinks	from £0.45 to £0.75	from £0.50 to £0.90
Water 500ml	£0.85	£0.85

Please note that the most cost effective way for your child to purchase lunch is to buy a meal deal consisting of a hot meal, panini or sandwich, plus a small drink or dessert. Fizzy drinks will be phased out and no longer sold. We would also like to remind you that you can monitor what your child buys for lunch by logging onto [ParentPay](#).

The following actions have been taken to help mitigate some of the costs and also to help the environment:

- All disposables are now recyclable
- All plastic cutlery removed and replaced with wooden cutlery
- Reduced packaging – This has been greatly aided with the return to serving food on plates
- Reduced overall number of deliveries, which whilst has meant larger deliveries also reduces our carbon footprint
- More use of fresh ingredients as opposed to man-made/manufactured which puts food quality at the heart of the pupil's lunches and also leads to an overall reduction in packaging
- Use of a centralised purchasing team across our caterers to not only get better pricing but also sourcing more fresh home-grown produce

For our pupils in receipt of Free School Meals, the increase will be applied to the daily allowance. This will ensure they continue to have access to the main meal and dessert menu.

Yours faithfully

Mr R Turner

Academy Business Manager

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