

Dear Parent/Guardian,

At IFG, we are committed to providing high-quality, nutritious meals that support students' wellbeing and learning. In partnership with the school, we regularly review meal provision to ensure it remains both sustainable and of the highest standard.

In light of rising costs for employers—including an increase in National Insurance contributions—it has been jointly agreed with the school to increase the free school meal (FSM) allowance. As a result, the price of our main meal, meal deals, and FSM allowance will increase from April 2025 to £2.70

Supporting Students with Nutritious Meals

This adjustment will enable us to:

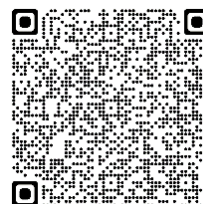
- Increase the allowance for children eligible for free school meals.
- Continue offering a wide range of freshly prepared, nutritious meals.
- Expand Meal Deal options, ensuring even better choice and value.
- Maintain initiatives such as free porridge in the mornings, helping students start their day right.

Ensuring Affordability and Access

We understand the financial pressures that families may face, and support is available for those who may need it. If you believe your child may be eligible for free school meals, you can apply if you receive one of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit (with an annual household income below £16,190 and not receiving Working Tax Credit)
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Universal Credit (with annual household earnings below £7,400)

To check eligibility and apply, please use the QR code provided, which will take you directly to the Government's free school meals application page.



We Value Your Feedback

We appreciate your support and welcome any questions or feedback. If you would like to discuss this further, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Thank you for your understanding as we continue to provide the best possible meals for students.

Kind Regards,
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