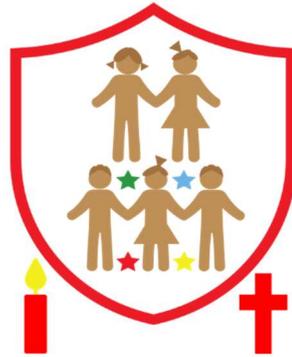


St James' Church of England Junior School

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SCHOOL LUNCH POLICY

Agreed by FGB: 18th May 2021
Review Cycle: Every 3 years
Next Review due: May 2024

Overview

The purpose of this policy is to create a series of expectations and protocols for the children, parents and staff at St James' C of E Junior School. The policy will set out processes which will take place to ensure that pupils are provided with adequate lunch to get them through a day at school.

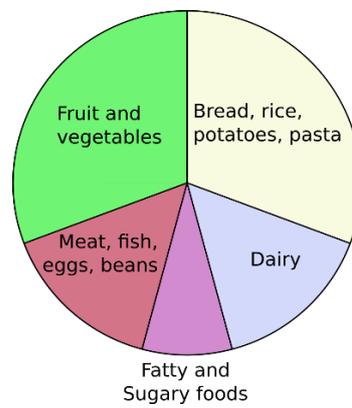
School Expectations for Lunches:

For All Pupils:

- ✓ Meals will be of good quality and nutritional value, meeting the School Food Standards
- ✓ There will be no differentiation in quality or choice between free and paid meals
- ✓ The menu on offer should be appealing to young people, in order for them to make informed healthy choices
- ✓ School will provide seated (with a table) indoor and outdoor (as appropriate) spaces for all pupils to sit and eat their lunch, be it a hot meal or a meal brought from home
- ✓ Dietary requirements, both medical (where possible) and religious will be catered for
- ✓ Mid-day supervisors will ensure that pupils have eaten a sufficient amount before they are allowed to leave the Dining Hall
- ✓ Nobody will be refused food.
- ✓ A hot meal is provided for those pupils who have paid in advance
- ✓ School will send out a text to parents whose Parentpay accounts are not up to date (or if they have not handed in payment to the office) to remind them that their account needs to be topped up.
- ✓ If no payment is received after reminders have been issued, pupils will be given toast, fruit and water at lunchtime; until payment is received.
- ✓ The school reserves the right to present information to the Small Claims Court.

Parental Expectations:

- Parents will respect that this is the policy of the school in making their choice of school placement
- Parents will keep their Parentpay account up-to-date or parents will pay in advance at the office for school lunch
- Parents will provide a packed lunch for pupils who do not have sufficient funds in their Parentpay accounts
- Parents will be expected to provide lunchboxes that are of good quality and nutritional value. The school reserves the right to remove food that is unhealthy in excessive quantities.
- Lunchboxes should not contain: fizzy drinks, sweets, chocolate
- A healthy lunchbox will contain: protein (cheese, eggs, meat, fish), fruit and / or vegetables, carbohydrate (bread, rice, pasta).



Pupil Expectations:

- Pupils will demonstrate good table manners in the Dining Hall, behaving well at all times
- Pupils will do their best to eat healthily and make sound choices about food
- Pupils will do their best to register correctly for either packed lunch or school dinner
- Pupils will not knowingly attempt to have a school dinner if they have not registered or paid for it
- Mid-day supervisors are to be shown respect.