

**ST MARY'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND
(Aided) PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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'Learning for life with God as our guide'

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Dear Parents/Carers of Reception Class,

From Monday, 14th September, your child will be staying for lunch at school.

As you know, your child is entitled to a free cooked school lunch, which we highly recommend.

Many children in Classes 1 and 2, who are all also entitled to Universal Free School Meals, eat and enjoy a hot cooked lunch. We have staff on hand to support and assist the Reception Class children as they eat their lunch and learn to use a knife and fork. No child is ever forced to eat anything they don't like. Copy menus are also attached to this email.

If you would prefer your child to bring a packed lunch to school, please ensure that it is enclosed in a suitable, named plastic container, this must be hard plastic, not fabric, in line with the school Covid-19 Risk Assessment. A drink should be included with the packed lunch, but no glass bottles or cans please. Sweets are not permitted either.

For ideas about packing a healthy lunch for your child, please see
www.nhs.uk/change4life/pages/healthy-lunchbox-picnic.aspx.

As we have children in school who suffer from severe allergies we would ask that you **do not include nuts or nut products in snacks or packed lunches e.g. peanut butter sandwiches.**

The children should be collected promptly at 1:15pm during the week beginning 14th September. This will enable us to bring the children in from play and get them ready to go home.

If you have any queries regarding lunchtime arrangements, **or need to inform us of any food allergies** then please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

Mrs S Riley
EYFS Teacher



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