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Dear Parents/Carers,

As you know, your child will be moving into Year 3 in September. Once your child moves up to Key Stage 2 their entitlement to a Universal Free School Meal (UFSM) ends and unless your child is entitled to Income Based Free School Meals (FSM) you will have to pay for school dinners. Alternatively, you can provide a packed lunch for your child.

The current cost of a school meal is £2.53 per day, payable in advance at the start of the week via MCAS for any meals taken the same week.

If your child has school meals, they cannot change to packed lunches on a day-to-day basis and should either have a school meal every day or a packed lunch every day. We also ask for a week's notice to be given if your child will be moving to/from packed lunches.

If you think you may be entitled to Free School Meals you can now apply online using Wakefield Council's digital form please see the link below:

[Free school meals \(wakefield.gov.uk\)](http://wakefield.gov.uk)

In Year 3 your child will receive First Access guitar lessons with a teacher from Wakefield Music Service. These lessons are an excellent way to introduce children to learning an instrument and performing together as a group. At the end of the school year the children put on a concert to parents so you can see their progress. These lessons are given at no extra cost to parents and children will use one of the school guitars.

Your child can also learn an additional instrument when they are in KS2, with one to one (or small group) lessons with a Wakefield Music Service teacher. These lessons will cost £77 per term. We currently have spaces for Guitars, brass, Violins, Keyboards and Drums. Please contact the office if you would like your child to be considered for one of these lessons.

Moving into KS2 is a big step for children, with changes in their daily routine to manage as well. Part of this means that children in Year 3 do not have a playtime in the afternoon, however they do go outside mid-afternoon for a body break. Sometimes this will be doing the Daily Mile, or a jog around the playground to get some fresh air.

Kind Regards

LHS Admin Team

