STANLEY PARK JUNIOR SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

As you know we have introduced a new system called School Grid for ordering school lunches. In September there will be no cost to parents to have a school lunch for the academic year 2023-24.

It would be really helpful if all parents could sign-up to the system in case you ever need to order a school dinner in the future.

We ask parents to decide for **the first half term** whether or not their children will have school lunches or be provided with a packed lunch from home.

Next Steps:

- If your child is not going to be having school lunches in September and instead bringing a packed lunch to school
 - please fill out this Google Form by Sunday 3rd September <u>https://forms.gle/oRyktBAoycWMf6Zw5</u>
- If your child will be having school dinner, it is essential you watch the following video on this link which explains what you need to do with regards to signing up and ensuring that you fill in the information required: <u>https://youtu.be/E6ybvBZuTpc</u>
- The video covers:
 - Inputting any allergies your child may have (this then prevents your child from being able to choose a dish that contains their allergen) and notifies the serving staff via a computer display.



- Selecting your child's menu choices. These are available for September and can allow you to place as many orders in advance as you like, up to the point the menu has been opened for.

(In addition to the menu choices, there is a salad bar, bread and a range of fresh fruit always available.)

If your child has an allergy I would request that you cross reference the School Grid Menu with the PDF menu on our school website when ordering lunches to double check the allergens on the School Grid System. <u>https://www.spjs.org/lunchtimes-and-breaktimes.php</u> We are aware that for some of the puddings are not currently showing the correct choices/allergy information. We are working with School Grid to rectify this. For children with allergies, please email the school office with your child's pudding preferences for the first week and we sort this before Wednesday.

If your child has a gluten allergy please always choose the Gluten Free Jacket if they want this choice for lunch and the caterer will bring a the relevant toppings.

For the first week of term, you need to have placed your order by Sunday 3rd September. Then going forward, you will need to select your child's lunches by the Wednesday evening prior to following

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week. i.e. Wednesday 6th September for the lunches for week beginning 11th September. Please don't worry we will send an email reminder the first couple of weeks to remind you to do this.

Due to the large number of children having school dinners the lunchtimes will be staggered slightly as this worked well in the trial day that we held. Year 3 lunchtime will be 12.00-13.00 Year 4-6 lunchtime will be 12.15-13.15

In the dining rooms, children get to choose where they would like to sit (they can be with children eating packed lunches or school dinners). Children in Year 3 will be supported by staff in getting used to the routines so please do not worry.

In the future:

• We are exploring the possibility, after October half term, of parents being able to select set days in which they are wanting their child to have a school dinner. We will implement this if the preordering system is working well.

If you are having trouble logging onto School Grid please contact the school office via email or contact School Grid directly via email support@schoolgrid.co.uk or by telephoning on 01506 300310.

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to get in contact with us.

Yours sincerely,

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Mrs Lamy Headteacher