



Bishop's Hatfield Girls' School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

We are aware of the concerns raised regarding the restaurant tariff increases applied by our current caterer, Culinera. We recognise that in addition to the recent rising costs of living, tariff increases have a significant effect on many of you and as a school we always try to support our families as much as we can.

We are therefore pleased to inform you that we have listened to your concerns, and have worked hard to secure a more budget-friendly tariff, with a new caterer, Aspens.

Aspens will be taking over from Culinera from this February, and will be implementing servery improvements during the half-term holiday, ready to open to our pupils and staff when we return to school on Monday 20th February.

More details, including the new menu and tariff, will follow closer to the takeover date. In the meantime, we are pleased to advise that pupils will be able to purchase a main meal and a piece of fruit or dessert for £2.50, which is currently the price of a main meal on its own. We are also introducing a budget deal, whereby pupils can purchase four smaller items, such as a small sandwich, drink, small fruit pot, and snack, all for £2.50.

It is worth reminding you that anyone who thinks they may be eligible for Free School Meals should enquire into this by visiting the HCC site here: www.hertsdirect.org/freeschoolmeals. Pupils in receipt of free school meals will be able to purchase items up to a total value of £2.50, including the two offers mentioned above. There are significant advantages to receiving free school meals in that once on the list, pupils may receive assistance in paying for school trips, and qualify for a bursary to help towards their Sixth Form studies.

We look forward to working with Aspens to provide a budget-friendly catering service, without impacting the quality of food on offer.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Alf Wood
Headteacher

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