



Aston Fields Middle School

Striving for Excellence: Learning for Life

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Our catering company Shire Services provide school meals on behalf of the school. The current menu is attached and can also be viewed on our school website <https://www.astonfields.worcs.sch.uk/page/?title=School+Lunches&pid=76>

The cost of a meal including a pudding is £2.75. Pupils will also be able to purchase drinks and snacks; these do not need to be pre-ordered as long as funds are available on ParentPay and your account will be debited as items are purchased.

If you pay for your meals, payments will be made via ParentPay. If you do not have a ParentPay account, please contact the school for details of how to set one up.

To pay for your meals, add funds to your ParentPay account under the category 'school meals'. For instructions on how to credit your school meal account please click the following link; <https://www.astonfields.worcs.sch.uk/school-information/412-parentpay>

We would also like to take this opportunity to remind you of our payment process for lunches:

- When ordering a lunch, if pupils are in a maximum debt of £5.50 (2 meals) they will be sent to the office by the catering team and a call will be made home to request their ParentPay account balance is paid in full.
- Should the balance not be paid, you will need to provide your child with a packed lunch until the balance is cleared. You will receive follow up emails reminding you that the payment is still due.
- Should the balance remain in debt, the school reserve the right to recover the debt through legal proceedings.

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Packed Lunches and Snacks

We encourage healthy lunches at Aston Fields Middle School and would ask that packed lunches do not include large bags of sweets/chocolates or fizzy drinks. Energy drinks are not allowed under any circumstances and must not be brought to school at all.

We must also make you aware that pupils **MUST NOT BRING NUTS** into school for break, lunch or as ingredients when cooking to ensure all our pupils remain safe and well. Should you have any queries regarding this, please contact the form tutor.

Packed Lunches - Sustainability / Food Waste

We have been working closely with the Local Authority focusing on sustainability and from 31st March 2025, businesses in England with 10 or more employees have had to separate their food waste from general waste and arrange for separate collections, this is to help reduce food waste in the future.

With this in mind, any pupils bringing a packed lunch from home to school must take home their food waste. This will not only help us as a school see what food waste is being generated from our kitchens, but it will also help you as parents/carers to see what your child is eating at lunchtime.

Thank you in advance for your support with this.

Yours sincerely,

Aston Fields Middle School