

7th March 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

I write following Monmouthshire County Council's recent round of consultations about its budget for the year 2024/25 and the decision by council that from 1st April 2024, the cost of attending the childcare session of school breakfast clubs is increasing from £1 to £2 per child. It is disappointing that we have had to increase the charges at this time, but this is the first increase since the £1 charge was introduced in 2018. Since then, we have seen a significant increase in the cost of staff and food and the current charge does not cover these costs.

All pupils that are entitled to benefit led free school meals will continue to be able to attend the whole session at no charge and all pupils are entitled to attend the breakfast session at no cost (normally from approximately 8.30). We are in the process of updating ParentPay to reflect the new charges and any sessions attended following the Easter holiday will be charged at the higher rate.

Yours faithfully



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