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Executive Principals:

Mr M J Roberts & Ms L D Sampson

Head of School: Mr P Robins

9th June 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

School lunch change consultation

Thank you to everyone who took the trouble to complete the questionnaire in relation to the introduction of halal meat on the school lunch menu. Overall, we had 131 responses.

In this instance, the weight of opinion went against the proposal to introduce halal meat. The majority of respondents felt that the school should not move towards using halal meat. Furthermore, the number of respondents indicating that they would no longer take school lunches if halal meat were introduced outweighed the potential gain in increased numbers of children accessing lunch. There would be a net loss of more than 40 children no longer having school lunch every day. Therefore, the decision is to stick with the current non-halal meat supplies.

Whilst I realise that this may be disappointing for some parents and children, I'm sure that you will understand why this decision has been made. Of course, we will continue to provide a vegetarian option every day and fish will still be served on a Friday. I will also meet with the caterers to see if there are other options around introducing halal meat for certain dishes on given days. Furthermore, if anyone has any particular vegetarian recipe ideas that would enliven the menu selection, I will happily suggest them to the caterers.

Once again thank you to everyone who responded.

Yours sincerely

Mr Paul Robins
Head of School

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