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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we look forward to welcoming everyone back in September, we are delighted to share some exciting news about our school meal service. Following our recent competition, we are thrilled to announce that **STAR EATS** will become **Yorkshire Kitchens** from September 2026.

We would like to say a huge thank you to all the children who took part in designing our new logo. We were incredibly impressed by the creativity, imagination and effort shown in every entry. The winning design has inspired the new Yorkshire Kitchens logo, and we are delighted that our pupils have played such an important role in shaping the identity of our school meals service.



Whilst our name and branding are changing, our commitment remains the same. Yorkshire Kitchens will continue to provide fresh, nutritious and enjoyable meals, prepared with care and offering excellent value for all our pupils across the Trust.

We are also introducing a **new allergy and dietary requirements form**. To ensure we have the most up-to-date and accurate information for every child, we kindly ask all parents and carers of children with food allergies, intolerances or special dietary requirements to complete the new form before the start of the autumn term: [Allergy and Dietary Requirements Form – Fill in form](#)

We would also like to inform you that, from September 2026, the price of a paid school meal will increase to £3.20 per meal. This is the first increase since last year and reflects the continued rise in the cost of ingredients and operating expenses. We have worked hard to keep this increase to a minimum while maintaining the quality, variety and nutritional standards of the meals we provide. A reminder that you may be entitled to receive free school meals if you are in receipt of certain benefits or support.

Over the coming weeks, you will begin to see the Yorkshire Kitchens branding appear on menus, communications and within our school dining areas. We are incredibly excited to launch this new chapter and look forward to serving our school meals under our new name from September.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at yorkshirekitchens@ylt.org.uk.

Kind regards,

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