



**St Peter's Catholic Primary School**  
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Dear Parents and Carers

As you may be aware, Gateshead Council currently provide our school meals, offering a range of choices to our pupils. Their freshly cooked meals provide the perfect balance of essential nutrition and exceed the national standards for school lunches.

Over the last 12 months, the council has seen continuous increases with food costs and food inflation is running at 4.9%. Pressures within the supply chain have also impacted on costs which means that they are spending a significant amount on food.

As a result, Gateshead Council will be increasing their cost per meal to £3.10 from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2026.

You will see this change reflected in the charges on your child's Arbor account.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school office should you have any queries.

Yours sincerely,

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