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Dear Parent/Carer

Changes to Lunch Times

After half term we will be trialling a split break and lunchtimes to a one break and one lunch sitting. To begin with, week commencing 19th February, breaktime will be 11:10am-11:30am and lunchtime will be from 1.30pm to 2.10pm across all year groups.

To manage the queues and social spaces, there will be timeslots for learners to access hot food and grab and go food, with Year 7 being escorted to the lunch hall first at 1:25pm by their Period 3 teachers. The catering department will operate an 'express' lane for Year 11 learners and any learners that have a lunch time club pass. Lunch time club passes can be collected first thing in a morning, from the bottom of A Block stairs.

All learners will still have a 40-minute lunch. Times below are when they will be served food. Lunch time is 1:30 to 2:10pm, food service slots per year group are:
1:25pm – Y7* (Y7 escorted early by their P3 teacher)
1:30pm – Y10
1:40pm – Y8
1:50pm – Y9

Learners that bring packed lunches will be seated in the main hall. There will be a sandwich/cold food and grab and go service in the main hall every day. Hot food will then be purchased in the small dining hall and learners will be seated in the large dining hall to eat their hot food. Multiple till points and 'grab and go' sections will allow learners more choice and quicker service. All food must be consumed in the halls and not outside. Learners will be then free to access outside spaces or activities when they are not eating.

As a result of these changes there will be a wider extra-curricular offer at lunch times as all staff will be on their lunch break at the same time. There will be more staff on duty at the same time as we will have the whole SLT Team and Pastoral Team available for break and lunch duties at the same time. This will also ensure that lunch time activities do not disrupt lessons. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

Mrs E Edwards-Morgan
Principal