



Date: Thursday 11th September 2025

Our ref: NKW/sjt

Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Free School Meals -Daily Allowance and Daily Spending Limit

On a daily basis, a Free School Meal (FSM) allowance of £3 is available, made up of funds provided by the government and topped up by St Bernard's High School.

The FSM allowance can be used by students how they wish in the canteen during the school day. Lunchtime meal deals priced at £3 are available to students.

There is a daily spend limit across the school of £5, which means if the £3 FSM limit is reached, students can spend up to £2 of their own money from their ParentPay balance if available.

Please kindly make your child aware if they purchase drinks, breakfast/snack items outside of lunchtime this will be debited from the FSM allowance also.

Should you have any concerns, or wish to speak with Student Services, please feel free to contact school to discuss further via office@stbernards.southend.sch.uk

Kind regards,

Mrs N Webb

Finance officer