

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Anderton

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School Catering & Milk

Dear Parents/carers,

We have been undertaking an evaluation of our catering services over the past few weeks/months. At present we have an awful lot of food wastage on a daily basis and would like to feed back to you our observations.

On occasion some children get to the food counter and are surprised at the choice of food that has been made at home resulting in some children not eating the meal chosen. This, I am sure you will agree, in particular during the current climate of waste, conservation and cost cutting is not the best outcome. The cost to school to dispose of the general & food waste is under review and we are looking at ways we can minimise the waste in school.

The first thing we would like to address if possible is that you include your child in the meal choice that is made so that at least they know it is a food that they will like and be happy to eat. Some of the items on the menu are quite adventurous and wholesome for children but do not appeal to all children's tastes, resulting in some eating little or nothing. We of course encourage children to try new things as their taste buds develop but this may be best done whilst under your supervision so that you understand their likes/dislikes.

We are also looking at portion sizes in school to ensure that children are not being over faced which could be putting them off.

Please can you also check with your child if they still want milk on a daily basis?

This too is accumulating as children are not wanting/drinking the milk when offered. You can cancel any milk subscriptions directly with 'Coolmilk'.

If you have any comments or feedback which will help us to reduce our food waste in particular, please email bursar@st-josephs-anderton.lancs.sch.uk.

Please note - all packed lunch waste MUST go home in the children's lunch bag and NOT disposed of in school.

Kind regards
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