

Headteacher: Mr A Cunningham

Deputy Headteacher: Mr M Gallop

24th June 2015

Dear Parent/Carer

Cashless Catering

As you may be aware, The Lakes School operates a cashless catering system for students wishing to buy items in the dining hall.

This system offers the following benefits:

- Increased speed of service reducing queuing times
- Anonymity on Free School Meals
- Facility to pay On-Line
- No need to carry cash preventing loss or theft
- Automatic alerts to stop pupils purchasing allergy trigger items
- Students learn about important lifestyle control by monitoring their own accounts

The Department of Education has recently brought in new legislation regarding the use of biometrics in schools. From 1st September 2015, the new legislation states that we must have written permission from a parent/guardian to allow your child to use the biometric facility on the cashless catering system currently being used in the school.

The system used in school incorporates the latest technology and please note that fingerprints are not held on any part of the system. The technology provided for this method of identification meets with BECTA guidelines.

If you choose not to have your child registered on the biometric system a 4 digit PIN code will be allocated. Please note that PIN codes do not have the same level of security and it will be your child's responsibility to remember the code and keep it secure at all times.

Once we have received your consent, your child will be able registered biometrically on the cashless catering system on the first day of next term and will then be able to purchase food and drink in the school's dining room.

If you have any further question about our cashless catering system, please do not hesitate to contact me. Otherwise, could you please complete the form attached to this letter and return it me.

Yours sincerely



Mr N E Ward



Please tick as appropriate and return to the main school office.

I understand that I may withdraw my child's registration at any time in writing.

Child's Name	
Tutor Group	
Name of Parent/Guardian Delete as applicable	
Relationship to Child	
Signature	
Date	

I **would** like my child to use the biometrics for the Cashless catering system

I **would not** like my child to use the biometrics for the Cashless Catering

Once completed please return this form to:
The School Office, The Lakes school, Troutbeck Bridge, Windermere, Cumbria, LA23 1HW



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