

1<sup>st</sup> December 2023

**Ref: Shaw Catering/Cashless Tills**

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are excited to announce a change in our catering services starting Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December. Taylor Shaw is the company that will be providing all of our catering as part of our move to our new trust United Learning. Taylor Shaw is committed to promoting healthy eating, offering nutritious choices that support pupils' well-being, academic performance, and overall school experience. We're thrilled to welcome them to our new building.

Enclosed, you will find the new Breakfast and Morning Break Menu, Grab and Go options, and a 3-week Main Menu, please take a look and share this new menu with your child. We're introducing "Green Earth Monday," featuring mostly plant-based and vegan-friendly options. Additionally, there will be themed days like "Taste of Greece," "May the Fourth be With You," and "Veganuary" to introduce exciting new flavours for the pupils to enjoy!

Collaborating with the Pupil Leadership Team and Parent Voice, we will frequently review the menu to ensure it meets the diverse needs and preferences of all our pupils.

If you have any questions, please contact us via [infoHHA@midlandat.co.uk](mailto:infoHHA@midlandat.co.uk)

**Cashless System**

The majority of you will be familiar with Weduc Payments. Weduc Payments is our cashless system which enables you to pay online for trips and meals. Weduc Payments can be accessed securely via computer or from your mobile phone.

From 1st January 2024 Hartshill Academy will become a cashless school. This means that we will no longer be able to accept cash for ANY school related purchases. This includes payment for school meals. ALL payments will have to be made through Weduc Payments.

For the majority of you, there will be no change as most parents are using their Weduc Payments account, however, there are still some parents/carers who have never activated their child's account. In due course, we will email those parents with their relevant login details again so that they are ready for January.

It is essential that you activate your child's Weduc Payments account otherwise they will be unable to purchase any food or attend any trips or events. If you have any queries then please email [infoHHA@midlandat.co.uk](mailto:infoHHA@midlandat.co.uk).

Regards,



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Business Manager

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