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Dear Family

When we return from the Easter holidays we will be using a new catering company for our school meals, ABM Catering. This is because Luton Borough Council has stopped delivering this service for all schools.

I would like to reassure you that the kitchen will continue to serve only halal food as ABM is using food that is fully HMC certified, just as it was when the council were delivering this service. ABM are currently in William Austin Infants school and many other local primary schools, so we are looking forward to them cooking our school dinners.

The price for a school meal is £2.30 a day, which is £11.50 for the week. If your child currently has school dinners you will just need to continue to top up the account using the Scopay system. The option to pay using a barcode will no longer be available.

If your child would like to move to school dinners, and with this new catering company they can choose to have dinners on whichever day they like, including if they just want a school dinner when pizza is on the menu, you will need to set up an account using the Tucasi reference number and create a Scopay account. An app is available which will make control of your account much easier. It allows you to see your account balance and set up an alert to remind you to top up your account. Please download it from the App Store.

**Unfortunately, you will not be able to use the Pay point to top up the account as that was an arrangement for Luton Borough Council school meals only.**

You must make sure your child's account is in credit at all times, in order for your child to receive a school meal. The office staff will be keeping a close check on this and contacting parents who fall into debt straight away, with the expectation that all debts are cleared. Parents who have to be continually reminded to pay, may have to make alternative arrangements.

I know from feedback form William Austin Infants school that the food is really tasty, so I would encourage you to take up the offer of a school dinner if you would like to try them out.

Please see the attached flyer for further information.

Yours sincerely

Mrs J Adams  
Headteacher

