



BADSWORTH  
CofE School

**CARE – Prepare – Believe**  
**'I can do all things through Him who strengthens me'**  
**Philippians 4:13**

### **School Meal Income Collections Policy** **November 2025**

As of September 2018, Badsworth C of E J&I School has adopted this policy relating to the payments for school meals.

Any shortfall occurring from non-payment for school meals is taken from the school budget, resulting in a reduction of funds which should be spent on the children's education. We are sure that the majority of parents will agree that this is unacceptable and request that all parents support prompt payment for school meals.

Just as no parent would take their child out for a meal and expect them to be given food without paying; the same applies at school. If parents believe that their children may qualify for entitlement to Free School Meals please contact the office for more details. Free meals cannot be taken until the school has received confirmation of eligibility from Wakefield Council. Similarly, if entitlement ends parents are responsible for letting the school know, any meals must be paid for from the date eligibility ceases.

Parents must pay in advance for school lunches by making online payments directly to our school meals provider ISS at [www.feedinghungryminds.co.uk](http://www.feedinghungryminds.co.uk) or by paying by card over the telephone on 01924 792334 on the first day of each school week. Parents may also pay in advance for any number of weeks ahead. Any meals not taken due to absences will not be charged. Cash or cheques are not accepted in school.

If a parent forgets to pay in advance, they will receive a reminder email from Feeding Hungry Minds. Emails will continue to be sent and a letter will be sent from school during the second week asking parents to clear their debt. After this period (10 school days) the child will automatically no longer be able to order a meal in school, (name is removed from the online ordering system), until the debt is cleared. The Local Authority will raise an invoice to recover the debt, if the payment is not forthcoming via the online payment system.

The school reserves the right to begin legal proceedings to recover the debt against any parents who have incurred debt and makes no contact with school.