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Dear Parents / Carers,

Over recent months, I have received a number of parental complaints about the quality of our school dinners. Concerns have generally been in relation to;

- Poor menu choice
- Portion size for our older children
- Menu alterations for children with allergies
- Overall quality of the food provided

A nutritious, health and tasty meal is a vital part of the school day. Additionally, as busy parents, I know many of you rely on our school dinners – as making a packed lunch every day is not a viable option for you.

I have met with our school meal provider – called ISS – to discuss these concerns and to find a way forward to improve quality. I was reassured to find that they were happy to listen to our concerns and to work with us on improvements to the service.

The first thing we did was review the menu and improve the quality of choice for the summer term. This new menu is attached.

Additionally, since our meeting, there has been a noticeable improvement in overall quality of meals and portion size. Children are also encouraged to access the 'unlimited' salad bar and the freshly baked bread. In fact we have moved the salad to be the first thing they choose as they come into the dining hall.

In relation to children with allergies – parents **MUST** provide the appropriate paperwork. Until the paperwork has been received by ISS children will be restricted to eating a jacket potato.

Finally, ISS have agreed to constantly review menus and have discussions with parents about the quality of school meals. We will arrange some dates for parent meetings / taster sessions with ISS for after half term. You can also go to their website here -

<http://www.feedinghungryminds.co.uk/edu/barnet-st-josephs-catholic-primary-school/> to give feedback or find out more.

Regards,

Dr J. Lane
Interim Executive Headteacher

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Pork Sausage & Gravy with Mashed Potato	Beef Lasagne	Roast Chicken & Gravy with Roast Potatoes	(RdyMid) Roasted Mediterranean Popeye Pizza	Salmon or White Fish Fingers & Chips
Option 2	Quorn Sausage & Gravy with Mashed Potato	Roast Vegetable Lasagne	Macaroni Cheese	(RdyMid) Margherita Popeye Pizza	Quorn Burger & Chips
Alternative Option	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans, Tuna Mayonnaise or Coleslaw	Tuna & Sweetcorn Mayonnaise Wrap		Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans, Tuna Mayonnaise or Coleslaw	
Vegetables	Peas Carrots	Cauliflower Green Beans	Broccoli Carrots	Coleslaw Sweetcorn	Peas Baked Beans
Dessert of the day	(50% Fruit) Apple Crumble	(50% Fruit) Peach Fool & Shortbread	Frozen Toffee Yoghurt	(RS) Carrot Cake	(RS) Banana Cake & Custard
Dates week commencing	Week 1: 16/4, 7/5, 4/6, 25/6, 16/7, 17/9, 8/10				
Option 1	Chicken Chow Mein	Beef Pasta Bolognese	Roast Turkey & Gravy with Roast Potatoes	(RdyMid) Margherita Popeye Pizza	Battered Fish & Chips
Option 2	Vegetable Chow Mein	(Wholemeal) Cheese & Onion Fian with New Potatoes	Cheese & Potato Pie	(RdyMid) Red Onion & Sweetcorn Popeye Pizza	Vegetable & Lentil Pasta Bolognese (cheese)
Alternative Option	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans, Tuna Mayonnaise or Coleslaw		Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans, Tuna Mayonnaise or Coleslaw	Cheese & Bean Burrito	
Vegetables	Sweetcorn Green Beans	Peas Carrots	Broccoli White Cabbage	Fruity Coleslaw Sweetcorn	Peas Baked Beans
Dessert of the day	(50% Fruit) Peach Upside Down Sponge	(50% Fruit) Pear & Berry Ripple Cake	Oat & Sultana Biscuit	(50% Fruit) Jelly & Mandarins	(RS) Chocolate & Orange Brownie
Dates week commencing	Week 2: 23/4, 14/5, 11/6, 2/7, 24/9, 15/10				
Option 1	Chicken Curry & Rice	Chicken Quesadilla	Roast Beef & Gravy with Roast Potatoes	(RdyMid) Margherita Popeye Pizza	Fish Fingers & Chips
Option 2	Macaroni Cheese	Shepherdess Pie	(Fry's) Vegetarian Strips & Gravy with Roast Potatoes	Neopolitan Pasta (cheese)	Quorn & Vegetable Fajita
Alternative Option	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans, Tuna Mayonnaise or Coleslaw	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans, Tuna Mayonnaise or Coleslaw	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans, Tuna Mayonnaise or Coleslaw	Falafel & Salad Pittas	
Vegetables	Carrots Green Beans	Peas Cauliflower	Carrots Green Beans	Sweetcorn Roasted Vegetables	Peas Baked Beans
Dessert of the day	(50% Fruit) Pear & Vanilla Sponge	(50% Fruit) Apple & Berry Crumble	Frozen Strawberry Yoghurt	(RS) Chocolate & Courgette Cake	(RS) Chocolate & Beetroot Brownie
Dates week commencing	Week 3: 30/4, 21/5, 18/6, 9/7, 10/9, 1/10				