

23 September 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

## TPA Kitchen & Closure Update to Parents: Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September

Following unusually heavy rainfall in the early hours of Monday, our school kitchen and canteen were unfortunately flooded, and we made the necessary decision to close the area until essential safety and remedial works have been carried out. We are pleased to share that the rest of our school site was unaffected, and learning has continued as normal today.

Thanks to our school staff, the catering team and the site team, we were able to provide snacks and sandwiches, free of charge, to all students without a packed lunch today. Thank you to you as our parent community for your support.

Our site team and third-party specialists are now assessing the damage caused by the flooding and we will provide you with a further update about our kitchen and canteen throughout the week.

In the meantime, for Tuesday 24th September (tomorrow), our kitchen and canteen will remain out of action. This will likely to be the case for the remainder of this week. Students who receive Free School Meals will receive a packed lunch. This will consist of a sandwich, a piece of fruit, a snack and a bottle of water. All food will be prepared by our staff in a food technology classroom which is food-safe and meets the health and hygiene criteria. We will ensure those with known allergies are catered for and packed lunches will be served at lunchtime only.

For students who normally pay for their lunch, we request that parents and carers send their child to school with a packed lunch and a drink. We thank you for your co-operation and understanding.

We are continuing to work closely with our contractors to restore our catering facilities as quickly as possible as the health and safety of our school community is our top priority. We will write to you tomorrow with an update but want to thank you for your understanding and support as we work to resolve this matter.

Kind regards,

Michelle Smith

Executive Principal and Regional Director (South)