



# WITTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

You should recently have received a consent form from our catering company, for your child to be permitted to use biometric 'fingerprint' technology in the canteen. Thank you for returning your consent form if you have already done so.

As outlined in the original letter, this is a fantastic new system that provides a range of benefits.

\* No child will need to bring any cash into school to purchase food, whether they join us for Breakfast at 8 am, enjoy a tasty treat at Break time or have a Lunch with us.

\* More and more schools are finding that a finger print purchase system is much quicker, safer and manageable.

\* Parents love the fact that they don't need to keep providing cash and can top up their child's account whenever it is convenient to do so.

\* It reduces queuing time so children can get through much more quickly.

There is no risk to your child as the data held on the system is a code based on the fingerprint rather than the actual print. You can 'top up' your child's dinner money account online and those receiving free school meals will be processed in the same way so will also need to be registered.

Therefore, please can we clarify that the children will be expected to use this system for all school food, and so we do need your child registered on the system if they are to have a school meal, breakfast or snack at any time in the future. The company will no longer be accepting cash payments, though you can still 'top up' on an occasional basis if your child is not a regular school meal user. We are aiming to get all children registered as soon as possible so that we can get the system up and running.

Please complete and return the consent form on the accompanying letter.

Your sincerely,

Cath Crossley  
Headteacher