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## An Inspiring Education For All

17 November 2025

Dear Parents/Guardians

Christmas Dinner – Thursday 18 December 2025 Booking Deadline - Wednesday 3 December 2025

Buckler's Mead Academy will be holding our annual Christmas Lunch on Thursday 18 December 2025. This will also be Christmas Jumper Day! – further details to follow in due course.

The price of the meal, which will include a main course, dessert and drink, will be £3.40.

If your child is eligible for a Free School Meal (FSM), their daily allowance will cover the cost of the Christmas Lunch. You will need to pre-book the Christmas meal - there will be no alternative food available.

The choice of meal will be either:

- a turkey parcel with gluten-free stuffing wrapped in bacon
- or a vegan Quorn fillet with vegan gravy (Vgn)
- or a roasted vegetable parcel with tomato sauce. (Veg)

All choices come with roast potatoes and vegetables, plus the option of sprout gratin in cheese sauce and topped with bacon and a chipolata sausage.

We are looking forward to welcoming all our students to dine together on the day, whether they would like a cooked Christmas Lunch, or whether they would prefer to eat their sandwiches. All year groups will have their own lunch sitting, where festive music will play – your child will be advised of the time of their sitting nearer the day.

In order to avoid food waste, and to assist our Catering staff on what is the busiest lunch service of the year, we do ask that meals are pre-booked in advance. Please could you let us know your child's choice of meal, or whether they will be bringing in sandwiches. We also ask that all students who pay for meals have £3.40 available in their Arbor Catering account on the morning of the 17 December 2025. If you could also please check that your child has their QR fob with their catering code at the ready it would be much appreciated.

Please could you complete the following Google Form by **Wednesday 3 December 2025** with your child's choices.

## https://forms.gle/QNBczDNYwxRUWr1d7

Due to the popularity of the Christmas Lunch, there will be no alternative food available to purchase on the day.

I hope that as many students as possible are able to join us on the day, for what is one of the school's festive highlights,

Yours faithfully

Mr T Yeates

Acting Headteacher

