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The Live Date for the new Cashless System is: 6th September 2016

Dear Parent/Carer

We are pleased to announce that Hornsea School and Language College is installing a cashless catering system for the new academic year which commences 6th September 2016. The new system will allow us to continue the development of the school meal service, and will provide us with a more efficient, faster and ultimately better quality of service.

This system incorporates the latest technology and eliminates the need for pupils to carry cash throughout the day. It is also biometric (see FAQ's) so there is no need for pupils to carry a card as the system will recognise the thumb of your child at the revaluation pay points and at the tills. The Trust-e Cashless System uses an algorithm based scan, which reads between 50 and 130 points on the finger/thumb. It is not a fingerprint in any way, shape or form and is of use only in the Cashless System.

We will commence operating the system on **Tuesday 6th September 2016** and as such no cash will be accepted at the till points after this date. This means that credit should be applied to student accounts prior to the beginning of the academic year.

All students and staff will be given training on how to use the system and we will be registering students currently in school on $5^{th}/6^{th}$ July 2016. If we do not have parental consent by this date students will be issued with a PIN code which must be secured ready for use in September 2016.

Any amount of money can be paid into a pupil's account, and any money spent on food & drink will be deducted on a daily basis.

We have two payment options available to you – online payments and coin and note payments at the revaluation pay-point. All payment options are explained within the FAQ's attached.

A daily 'spend limit' of £5.00 will be programmed into the system. This can be increased or decreased for an individual student by making a written request to the school finance office or by indicating on the consent form attached.

As per current legislation we will be operating an 'Opt In' policy and therefore ask you to complete the attached form. If you choose not to have your child registered on the Biometric System a 4 digit PIN code will be allocated. Please note that PIN codes do not have the same level of security and it

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will be your child's responsibility to remember the code and keep it secure at all times. A paper copy of the consent form will be available from the school reception upon request.

The attached information should answer any questions you may have but if this is not the case please contact the school and we will be happy to assist.

Yours sincerely

Mr Lawrence

Headteacher