

## **Montalbo Nursery and Primary School**

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## Charging

Dear Parents/Carers

I wanted to write and explain some changes to payments for school meals, extra nursery hours, before and after school club. From September 2020, we would request that parents/carers pay for the aforementioned meals or activities **before** the event. This would mean paying for school meals, for example, before they have been provided.

At present, the majority of parents are able to keep up with payments via ParentPay. However, for other families, this is not the case. This new system will prevent parents/carers running up arears which can mount up, leading to larger debts which can be pursued by the Local Authority. School has costs associated with school meals, nursery provision and clubs which need contributions from parents to make them viable and this new way of working should make it easier for both school and parents.

As is the case now, we would not charge your ParentPay account for school meals, for example, if your child was absent. Assuming you had paid the costs of the meal beforehand, your account would be credited.

Please can parents/carers ensure that their ParentPay accounts are cleared before September. If you have any questions about the new system, please contact me.

Yours faithfully

Mr Minikin

**Head Teacher**