Devon Norse are delighted to be working with Our Lady of the Angels Catholic Primary School to produce your children's school meals.

Devon Norse are Devon's largest supplier of School Meals across the county serving over 15,000 meals each school day.

Is the School Menu compliant to School Food Standards?

Our menu is fully compliant with the school food standards and accredited with the food for Life served Here: Silver Award.

This means that over 75% of our meals are freshly prepared on site each day using seasonal, local and organic produce. Everyday there is always a vegetarian choice available.

Our menu is designed to help make healthier choices the easier choice and we work closely with Public Health Devon and Sugarsmart Devon.

My child needs a special diet?

We are very aware that a number of the children we cater for have specific dietary needs. These can be for medical or cultural reasons. Our Primary Menu is nut free. We also have special menus for Gluten Free, Dairy Free and Vegan Diets and bespoke menus for children with medically diagnosed conditions and allergies.

Should your child require a special diet please complete a copy of the special diet request form. This should be endorsed by a medical professional. Upon receipt we will communicate this information to our Kitchen Manager at school so that they can provide a suitable and safe diet for your child. For more complex diets we will arrange to meet with you with a member of our operational management team and the kitchen manager and where necessary work with medical professionals to meet your child's needs. It's really important that we know about any changes to your child's condition as they progress through school.

A copy of the special diet form can be collected from school or you can request a copy by emailing info@devonnorse.co.uk.

A copy of our latest menu, allergen information, carbohydrate count and nutritional analyses can be found on our website https://norsegroup.co.uk/partnerships/devon-norse/ or email info@devonnorse.co.uk.

How much is a school meal?

ALL Children in Reception through to year 2 are automatically entitled to lunch under the government's **Universal Infant Free School Meal** scheme. This is worth over £400 a year to each child. Having a school lunch every day from joining school will help ensure your child is well nourished for a day at school as well as joining friends in the dining hall and developing their social skills. This also allows children to try new foods and develop healthy choices.

Once children reach Key Stage 2 in year 3 the school lunch is £2.30 per day. This is paid directly to school. Your school will advise regarding their local payment arrangements.

Some children, regardless of age, including those in reception and years 1 and 2 may also be entitled to **FREE SCHOOL MEALS** if their parents are in receipt of identified benefits and state support.

If you are entitled to any of the following benefits then your child may be entitled to Free School Meals and Pupil Premium funding:

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods).
- Income Support (IS).
- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance (IBJSA).
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance (IRESA).
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit.
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income as assessed by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs that does not exceed £16,190).
- Working Tax Credit run-on (the payment you get for a further 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit).

Please contact the school office for more information or complete the online form at-https://www.torbay.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/fsm/

Where does our food come from?

Wherever possible our produce is locally sourced with over 55% of our food being produced on farms in the South West.

You'll be pleased to know we only use free range eggs and higher welfare meat. Knowing where our food comes from is very important to us as is supporting the local economy.

Some of the suppliers we use are:-

- Langage Farm Ice Cream
- Savona South West
- Scorse Foods
- Total Produce Devon
- A & D Supplies
- Wykes
- Yeo Valley
- Pip Organic

Local Links

Devon Norse are sponsors of Farmwise Devon forging links between education and food and farming in Devon. If you visit the Devon County Show you'll find us in the Children's Farm or in the Food Zone at the main Farmwise Event at Westpoint in October.

How do I know the food is safe?

We work very closely with Environmental Health and Trading Standards to ensure that our food is prepared safely. We also arrange for trading standards to carry out checks on our behalf so that we know there are no nasty chemicals on our fruit and vegetables, our meat and fish is the species it should be and that the allergen information is correct.

Promotional Menus and Special Days

Throughout the year there will be different menus to support special days and the curriculum. These are an opportunity for the whole school to get involved and try new things.

We hope that your child will enjoy school lunches at Our Lady of the Angels Catholic Primary School and we look forward to meeting with you at parents evening or at one of our taster days but should you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards,

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