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Dear parents/carers

It has come to my attention that there are a small number of concerns that some students are not having lunch in school due to the need to queue.

We have in the last year extended both dining areas to facilitate the growing number of students and we have kept the staggered times for lunch that we have in place to avoid year groups mixing in the canteen and café. In addition to this, Year 7 have an early finish of lesson 4 so that they can get used to the system. We have continued this arrangement this week and will do so again next week. This system has worked for many years now.

I have always made it clear to staff that no child should go without lunch and so I have been surprised to hear (via social media) that there are some children not eating at lunch time.

I have asked all the pastoral staff to reiterate the systems in place and have spoken with the catering team about ways that we can perhaps speed up service.

There is plenty of time for all our young people to eat at lunch and to socialise.

Please let me know if any incidents occur again.

Thank you for your understanding.

Yours faithfully

*C. A. Twist*

Mrs C Twist  
**Headteacher**

