



## **Hot Meal Service**

**Provisional Start Date - April 26<sup>th</sup>2021**

Dear Parents,

Annagh N.S. has been chosen by the Dept. of Education, as one of only 189 schools nationwide, to offer a hot meal service to our pupils next term. Only four schools in Co. Clare were selected. This service will replace the current cold lunch option.

### **How will it work?**

- This **FREE** service will be available to all children in the school.
- Each child will be issued with **new** login details for the hot meal service when we return to school after Easter.
- Each child will be given a default hot lunch until his/her individual order has been placed.
- There will be a broad menu to choose from including Vegetarian/Vegan/Halal options. A sample menu is attached.
- As the safety of children is of paramount importance, *Fresh Today* ensures that children with allergies will not be exposed to any product containing that allergen, with their kitchen a 100% nut free facility.

### **How will it work in the classroom?**

- The hot meal will be available each day at **lunchtime**.
- A sanitized, insulated box will be dropped into your child's classroom by a *Fresh Today* Garda vetted staff member.
- Utensils, napkins and condiments will be provided.
- Each box will contain the child's order, individually labelled.
- Each meal will be heated to 70°C, ensuring that while the meal is hot, it will not cause any burns or discomfort.
- In addition, two snack items will be available for **small break** (a piece of fruit and a healthy snack).
- The children will continue to have access to unlimited filtered Tipperary Water.

The current Cold Lunch service will continue after Easter and will cease once the Hot Lunch service begins.

The provisional date for the beginning of the Hot Meals is April 26<sup>th</sup>2021, but we will keep you informed of any changes.

As always, any of our families may opt out at any stage, should it prove unsuitable for their children.

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Regards  
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