



MIDDLEWICH HIGH SCHOOL

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Cashless Catering 2025

Middlewich High School operates a cashless catering system. The system has allowed us to continue with the development of the school meal service and provide 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, thus reducing the risk of bullying. It is also biometric, so there is no need for pupils to carry a card as the system will recognise the fingerprint of your child, at the tills. Biometric is simply a method of identifying an individual person. It is not a fingerprint in any way, shape or form and is of use only in the cashless system.

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. A daily 'spend limit' of £5 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.

Parents will be issued with a Pupil Link Code to access the system in September and will then be able to make electronic payments via the Scopay app. This Electronic payment system will also be linked to school trips and bus payments.

As per current legislation we will be operating an '**Opt in**' policy and therefore **require you to complete the attached form and return it with the other paperwork**. 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 will be your child's responsibility to remember the code and keep it secure at all times.

Please note, if you are in receipt of Free School Meals this is automatically allocated to your child's account for lunch purchases only. If your child wishes to have a snack at break time or purchase additional food over the FSM allowance you will need to ensure sufficient funds are on Scopay.

If you have any queries regarding the above, please contact the School Office via admin@mhs.school and they will direct your query appropriately.