

School Food: What to expect when your child has lunch with us.
We are a specialist foodservice provider for schools, that care about providing a well-balanced diet so your child has the energy they need to learn. We cater for different requirements including vegan, gluten free, dairy free, diabetic, vegetarian, halal and other special diets. We are a completely nut free service.

We comply not only with School Food Standards (nutritional guidelines), Bronze Food for Life, and comply with public sector buying, our suppliers have also had to undergo a range of rigorous checks.

## UE ARE LOOKING FOR PEOPLE TO JOIN OUR TEAM

Our roles are always in high demand
because our rates of pay are excellent, and our hours are term-time only. We offer full on-job training and there are opportunities to work towards nationally recognised qualifications and rise through the ranks. However, if you are motivated and hard-working, men or women of any culture, please contact us and we will see what vacancies we have - permanent and casual. what vacancies we have - permanent and casual. Vacancies tend to be advertised on Greater.Job under <Education-School>, <Bury Council>,
<Catering> however, we can offer a paper application and also attend job fairs. If you want to enquire about vacancies directly, you can contact us on 01612535710 between 9am and 4pm Monday to Friday during term-time.

Since we published our last menu, we are now going for the Food for Life Silver and Green Kitchen award from the Soil Association in November 2023. We have reduced our carbon footprint by procuring new local suppliers and now we are focusing on food waste. The award recognised the following:

- Most of our dishes are freshly prepared
- All our meat comes from farms which satisfy UK welfare standards
- No fish from Marine Conservation Society "fish to avoid" list is on our menus
- All our eggs are from Free Range hens
- Absolutely no undesirable additives or trans fats or GM ingredients are included
- Our menus are designed to make the best use of seasonal ingredients
- We publicise where our food comes from
- We provide for all dietary \& cultural needs
- All our suppliers have been verified to ensure they apply a HACCP food safety system Our Chefs are trained in fresh food prep and seasonal menu planning

Already with this new menu, we are working towards Food for Life Silver. That means we have added organic flour along with the organic yoghurts we already provide daily.

All of this effort and innovation is pointless though if your child does not get something they want to eat so our Executive Chef focuses on popular dishes when creating our menus, takes feedback from the Chefs in individual kitchens and runs taster sessions with children to refine the menu. I hope you agree this is one of the best menus we have ever had. If you also want to make a comment or a request, please do so. Our email address is catering@bury.gov.uk and our contact number is 01612535710 . We want the best menu possible for Bury children and you can help.

In addition to the wonderful development work on the menu, we have also introduced a fantastic system called School Grid which allows you to order your child's meals together at home from an app on your mobile, tablet or laptop. This means they get their first choice of meal; you know what they have chosen and can see their school dinner money balance. Even the school office staff are smiling.


## OUR SUPPLIERS

## ALLUAYS AVAILABLE

Unlimited Salad Bar Seasonal Fresh Fruit Yeo Organic Yoghurt

Children get 2 courses and 2 sides, a trip to the salad bar and bread, with of a school meal. We offer three to four main course choices every day, one of which is always vegetarian, and there are always three choices of desserts (main dessert, fruit, organic yoghurf), all of which are suitable for vegetarians.
If you're pregnant, or have children under four, you could be eligible for NHS Healthy Start.
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Over $75 \%$ of our dishes are freshly prepared from unprocessed ingredients, our vegetables and potatoes are fresh and whole except for peas, green beans, sweetcorn and chips which are frozen. All our chicken, pork and beef is UK Farm Assured, our eggs are from Free Range hens, our yoghurts are organic, our fish fingers are fortified with Omega 3 and our tuna is dolphin friendly. No fish from the Marine Conservation Society 'fish to avoid' list is served. Our suppliers are vetted, fully traceable and are local in order to minimise food miles including fruit, vegetables, salads and dairy from Livesey's (Preston), bread from Morris Bakers (Chorley), meat from Youngs Butchers (Sheffield), ambient goods from Dunsters Farm (Bury) and JJ Food Service (Manchester),

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