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Dear Parents and Carers

1st July 2019

RE: Cashless System

As you should hopefully be aware we have a system called "School Gateway" in place to allow us to receive monies from yourselves which is transferred directly into the bank for things such as school trips. We find that this works really well but more than anything this eliminates the need for cash to be brought into school. Accepting cash for a school of our size is proving to be more and more difficult. Processing cash is a very lengthy procedure and we are looking at ways to streamline our systems for ease of parents to make secure payments.

We have therefore, come to the decision that as from September 2019 we will no longer be accepting cash payments. If cash is brought in to the school, we will be returning it home with your child and asking you to pay by School Gateway. You have been issued with a username and password and instruction on how to use School Gateway. The office staff will be happy to help if you are having difficulties.

If you do not have access to a computer and internet at home or a smart phone, then there is a service called "Pay Point" which allows you to pay at various stores. If you need to access this service, then please leave your contact name and details with the office and we will send out instructions to you.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind Regards

The Finance Team