

5th October 2020

Dear Parent / Carer

Outwood Academy Ripon
Online e-Payments for School Meals and Other School Purchases

Outwood Academy Ripon is pleased to announce that we will be introducing iPayimpact online payments to eliminate the need for your child to carry cash to school for school meals, trips and other items. .

Please note that after **13th October 2020** there will be **no** facilities within school to accept cash payments for school meals, trips or other items. We therefore strongly advise parents to register for this online payment system with **immediate effect** so any issues can be sorted before the cash payment facilities in school cease to operate.

Please note that any balances on your child's existing trips and catering account will be transferred across to the new system on the **14th October 2020**. Please ensure that **no** further payments are made through your online account for (Tucasi) after **8th October 2020**.

Why a new system?

To support the academy in becoming fully cashless, giving the following benefits:

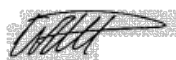
- Removing the risk of students losing money
- To help reduce and eliminate the spread of any virus or germs
- Removing time spent queuing to top up funds at break times
- Keeping up with the digital world and people using cash less and less
- Monetary and officer admin time savings, enabling us to redeploy these efficiencies

In order to use the iPayimpact website you will need to register via www.ipayimpact.co.uk. Once registered you will be able to make payments directly into your child's account. All details on how to sign up can be found on the attached information sheet. **The Child Account Reference will be on a sticker in your child's planner.**

N.B Payments will not show as a balance on your child's account until we go live on 14th October 2020.

Should you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact our finance department, finance@ripon.outwood.com.

Yours sincerely



Mr W Pratt
Principal