

14 November 2017

**Dear Parents** 

## **Re: Cashless Biometric System**

I am delighted to announce that in January 2018 The Suthers School will be introducing a new cashless payment system.

Toot Hill are introducing fingerprint recognition for all of their catering services which is designed to remove the need for students to bring cash into school and instead use a scan of their finger as identification for the purchase of meals/refreshments. This means that all purchases from The Curve will be made in this way and there will be no facility for on-the-day cash top-ups or cash purchases.

There are a number of benefits of introducing the system, including:-

- To ensure confidentiality for Free School Meal entitlement where daily credit can be automatically assigned
- Improve the efficiency of the service, with faster delivery of meals and reduced queuing times
- Facility for you to view transactions purchased by your child
- Facility for you to pay online

The registration process is quick and easy and takes just 20 seconds per student. Registration will be organised by the school and will take place during usual school hours. We are preparing for a launch date of Monday, 8 January 2018 with registrations taking place during November.

In keeping with our protocols, we are required to obtain parental permission for each student by completing the slip below and returning to School. Please complete, by no later than **Friday 24 November 2017**. Once we have received permission slips and registration days are complete, we will be in touch to explain the online payment system.

As this is such a new initiative for the school, we understand that you may have questions about how the system works and how data is stored. In anticipation of this, we have included a fact sheet which outlines Frequently Asked Questions relating to the system which we hope will answer some of those queries you may have.

Yours faithfully,

## Mr A Pettit Head of School

	Fingerprint recognition form
	I <b>do</b> wish my child to be included in the fingerprint recognition registration process
Name of Pupil:	
Year:	
Tutor Set:	
Name of guardian	or parent:
Signed	
	Please fill in this form and return to School by no later than Friday 24 November 2017

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