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Friday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

I am writing on behalf of Norwood Primary School Governing Body to share with you some exciting changes and improvements we are making to our school meals provision. The contract with our current providers, M&B Caterers, has come to an end and, as such, the school's Governing Body is legally obliged to carry out a procurement process in order to comply with local authority financial regulations.

After careful consideration and completion of the required stages of this process, which included an opportunity to meet with the new suppliers to ensure that top quality meals and the highest standards of service will be provided, the Governing Body has decided unanimously to award the contract to Caterlink.

Caterlink are a highly regarded company with much experience in providing school meals. During the procurement process we were very impressed with the company and in particular their informative presentation to representatives from all our stakeholders, including a group of children. They are clearly passionate about providing schools with healthy, nutritional, high quality food.

As part of the new contract the school will also be making a significant investment into a new combioven and other necessary catering equipment. We are confident that this investment, in conjunction with the expertise of the Caterlink personnel will help to bring about some major improvement to our whole school meals provision.

We look forward to working in partnership with Caterlink from April 2017 and hope you will join us in welcoming them into our school community. In the meantime, meals will still be provided by M&B Caterers and we will continue to monitor provision to ensure satisfactory standards and a smooth handover in April.

We will, of course, share further information about menus and meal prices prior to the changeover and Caterlink will host a parent/carer food sampling sessions and other promotional events to which you will be invited to in due course. However, in the meantime, if you wish to find out more about Caterlink you can do so at www.caterlinkltd.co.uk

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours faithfully

Mrs D Reynolds Head Teacher









