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Dear Parents and Families,

We are committed to the provision of high quality, hot meals at Tile Cross Academy and across our Trust whenever possible.

However, during this pandemic, it may well be that we will need to change what we can offer very suddenly. As you will be aware, we needed to do this at Tile Cross recently and we are very grateful for your support during this period.

To make clear what will happen if we need to send a catering team home for their safety and the safety of all, it may well be once again that we would only be able to offer a cold provision.

If this occurs, as we did on the last occasion, we would text parents on the day to make them aware and provide guidance on how long our provision would be changed for. If we suffered severe catering staff shortages across the Trust, we would again ask students, except those in receipt of free school meals, to bring a packed lunch. Again, we would communicate this to you.

We will work to avoid this, but the nature of the pandemic means it is a continuing possibility we need to make you aware of. I hope you can understand that our focus is on providing a quality education but in a safe environment, which, at times, will make these decisions necessary.

Your continued patience and support with this are appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

Paul Marano
Headteacher