

**September 2012**

Dear

**Re: Biometric / Cashless System - Catering**

We currently operate a biometric / cashless system for the catering service within school. This system enables us to deliver a more efficient, faster service and continue to provide wholesome, healthy and enjoyable meals at the lowest cost. The system works by using fingerprint recognition software for both cash deposits and food / drink purchases. This system has run for several years with all data collected being stored on a secure system.

From September 2013 schools and colleges will be required to obtain parental consent before the above system can be used by anyone under the age of 18. This change arises out of the Protection of Freedoms Act 2011 which refers specifically to finger recognition, such as ours, and facial recognition technology.

In order to comply with this legislative change I would be grateful if you would sign and return the slip below to confirm whether or not you agree to your son / daughter using the Biometric System here at John Willmott School. Alternative arrangements can be made if you object to the use of this system.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely

**Mr M A Skett  
Director of Support Services**

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**To: Mr M A Skett, Director of Support Services**

**Re: Biometric / Cashless System**

I (*please enter name*) ..... Parent / Carer

of (*please enter students name*) ..... Form ..... confirm that

I agree to the above named student using the Schools Biometric Cashless System.

**Signed** ..... **Date** .....