



12th February 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

MY CHILD AT SCHOOL (MCAS) – replacement for SQUID online payments

On March 14th 2025 SQUID, our online payment system, will cease all UK operations. This means that we will no longer be able to use this service for any online payments, including adding money to your child's account for school meals.

Therefore the Academy will be moving to a new parent portal called My Child At School (MCAS), this will replace the SQUID online payment system.

To be able to add money to your child's account to pay for meals you will need to create a MCAS account. Further details on how to do this and an invitation code will be sent to you during week commencing 3rd March 2025. If you have not received your invitation code by Friday 7th March please email the academy to office@magnusacademy.co.uk to let us know.

Please note that your child will still be able to upload cash payments to their account via our onsite machines.

If you have funds on your SQUID account for meal payments these **will not** be transferred to your MCAS account. Please do not make any further payments to your SQUID meal account after Friday 7th March. SQUID is responsible for returning any unused money to a parent's account, and the refund service will continue for a period after the 14th March 2025.

We have published a MCAS Parent Guide on our website: www.magnusacademy.co.uk so that you can familiarise yourself with how to login when you receive your invitation code and how to upload funds to your child's account.

If you have any questions about MCAS please contact Miss Yarnell via the main office by email to office@magnusacademy.co.uk or by telephone on 01636 680066.

Yours sincerely

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For and on behalf of Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham Multi Academy Trust