

# New Gateway system

Dear Parents,

Please be reminded to download the new gateway app if you haven't already done so. This will be our new method of paying for everything to do with school. Cash will only be acceptable by The Friends of St Mary's fundraising activities and for Charitable collections such as the Christmas jumper day. We collect cash in these instances because the automated systems take a percentage charge for using their service and we like to give everything raised to the charity.

Please continue to ignore anything that you see in your lunch section of the app. The data is being updated everyday when we synchronise our systems, but we will not be going live with Gateway for the payment of dinner monies until January, therefore please do not upload any payment to this area until the new year. Any unused balances at the year-end will be transferred across.

All future trips and payment items that start from January will be added to School gateway in the new year. Any trips that are currently on Parent Pay will stay there until they are finished.

Messaging will follow in Gateway in new year once we have got the other two areas working properly. We will continue to use this Parent Mail system until further notice.

Once again, thank you all for your patience at this time.

Kind regards

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