



Community College

Cashless Site - May 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

From Friday 1 July, we will be updating our cashless till system that uses students' biometric data. The new system will enable us to speed up the process for students using the tills and look to reduce queuing time during breaks.

We will require new fingerprints to be taken. As previously, the fingerprint images cannot be used by any other source for identification purposes. The system uses an image of the fingerprint to create a mathematical algorithm then discards the fingerprint. Only the numbers remain and these cannot be reinterpreted back into a fingerprint. When your child leaves our school their biometric data is securely deleted.

The quickest and easiest way to top up your child's lunch account remains via ParentPay. The most significant change you will be aware of is that we will now longer have cash loaders in school for students to top up their accounts with cash. This can now be done by visiting a paypoint store in the community to top up your child's account. An individual barcode will be issued to each student to enable this to be used. Here is a link to the paypoints in the area. <https://consumer.paypoint.com>

We will begin taking fingerprints from those students who currently have consent and use our current system. If you have previously given consent for biometric fingerprinting but now wish to withdraw your child from this process please email me on [dcole@sdcc.net](mailto:dcole@sdcc.net)

Kind regards

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