

# Impact Biometrics is coming to Thomas Hardy School

-Our new cashless catering uses the latest biometrics technology to make life as easy as possible for students, parents and staff.

-Students' accounts are debited at the touch of a finger pad – no need to carry cash around and no need to wait in long queues.

**-For your child to benefit from this, we need your consent to generate a digital signature for your child from their finger print – please see below...**



## Biometrics and Security

Students, parents and staff can rest assured that the fingerprint images cannot be used by any other source for identification purposes. The system uses an image of the finger to create a mathematical algorithm and then discards the finger image; only the numbers remain and these cannot be reinterpreted back into a finger image.

**Please complete this slip  
and return to the school  
office...**

## Cashless Catering Biometrics – How to Opt-In (All Year Groups)

**I do wish my child to be included in the Impact Biometric registration process**

**Name of Student:**

**Tutor Group:**

**Name of guardian or parent:**

**Signed:**

**Please complete this form and return to the school office**

## Frequently Asked Questions

### **Why do you need to take my child's finger image?**

By taking an image of your child's finger we can turn this information into a digital signature.

### **Can finger images be used by any other agency?**

No, the software we use turns your child's finger image in to a mathematical algorithm. The image of the finger is then discarded. The information that is stored cannot be used to recreate an image of the child's finger.

### **What happens when my child leaves the School?**

When a student leaves school all data can be deleted very easily.

### **How does it work?**

When the child places his/her finger on the scanner, the software matches their finger image with the unique digital signature held in the database.