

Good Afternoon,

As you may have seen in the news recently there is a national supply issue affecting many food outlets, supermarkets, hotels and restaurants across the country. By way of a couple of high profile examples, the lack of availability of chicken forced Nando's to temporarily close 50 restaurants recently and McDonalds have been unable to offer their full menu.

The supply chain to our sector is also under great pressure. Dolce has contingency procedures in place and we are doing everything we can to ensure this does not disrupt our service in any way. However, there may be occasions where this can not be avoided and we may have to reluctantly change or reduce choice on some of our menus. We will of course notify you at the earliest opportunity should this be the case at your school.

The hospitality sector is also currently experiencing challenges with recruitment. We have a number of vacancies currently and are working hard to recruit suitable applicants. In the short term our support teams are covering positions wherever possible. As a result, our Area Managers may not be as visible as they would like to be. Please rest assured that they are supporting your service, albeit remotely in some instances. Should you have any questions or queries about your service they want to hear from you so please do not hesitate in contacting them.

In addition, please do contact me directly with any comments or concerns.

Regards,

Tony Vale

Regional Operations Director