

In 2015, King David Campus, Liverpool, felt that their catering consultancy provision was no longer meeting their requirements. The Campus were looking for improved financial reporting, controls and charging in order to allow the cost of catering to be better managed.

Following consultation with other schools and discussions with ourselves, King David Campus decided to engage Catering Management Consultants to support them with their in-house provision.



## CMC'S SOLUTION

Given the school's initial reasons for looking at new partnerships, they were impressed with the CMC TRACKER system. They particularly liked the fact that it gave the information required to ensure that real time, accurate data was available in what is a complex catering operation.

The feeding and reporting of kindergarten, infant, junior and senior school pupil meals, along with the provision for community catering, all produced from one kitchen, could have proved difficult, and in some instances impossible, without laborious spreadsheets and reports. The CMC TRACKER does this efficiently recording meal numbers and incomes for each section of pupils along with the recording of free issue values.

The difficulties of managing the food costs of four service areas from one kitchen cost centre needed not only the flexibility of the CMC TRACKER, but also the experience of our CMC Consultant, Drew Sinclair. Taking into consideration known food costs from other schools and factors specific to King David HS, TRACKER produces a monthly report which identifies all income and costs in each individual catering service area.

The other CMC TRACKER elements of HACCP, COSHH and Allergens ensures that safe food is delivered to pupils in very demanding production circumstances.

## THE RESULT

Having taken care of the financial and legal considerations the King David Catering Team, under the leadership of a new Catering Manager, continue to build and strengthen the service. The Catering Team are one to be proud of and deliver a service which offers a wow factor and one that pupils enjoy buying into.

CMC have invested heavily in the CMC Tracker system as we saw that schools wanted greater transparency in their catering finances and greater autonomy in purchasing. We consulted catering managers and school business managers during development and our on-going development continues to be customer led.



For more information on in-house catering contact CMC on 01254 351887