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"A wide range of drinks are bought by parents for children. With parents looking for healthier drinks when shopping for their kids and with school policies promoting them, healthier drinks remain a key area for brands to focus on. Single-serve drinks could come under pressure in the coming years, though, as a result of concerns about packaging waste."

- Richard Caines, Senior Food & Drink Analyst

This report looks at the following areas:

- Health-related messages are important for children's drinks
- · Parents limit drinking of certain drinks, but kids still have a big say on what gets bought
- Lunchbox drinks face a number of challenges
- New flavours and sparkling options are important for experimental kids

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