



Winwick CE Primary School

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FREE SCHOOL MEALS - INFORMATION

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are writing to you as your child is eligible for Free School Meals and under the latest Government guidance, we are able to offer you a weekly £15.00 food voucher that you can use to provide food for your child during the period of school closure, as they would normally be eligible for a free school meal during normal school time. Unfortunately, this only applies to those eligible for free school meals and does not include the universal free school meals that are usually provided for children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.

Following Government guidance, school is making provisions for this using the online Edenred system which enables us to access the vouchers and distribute them to you for use for your child. School will be sent a redemption eCode from the Edenred system which we will then use to send an eGift card directly to the email address of the child's main parent/carers. We will use the email address that we currently have on our system for the main parent/carers.

How to use your eGift card voucher:

Once you receive your voucher, you will be able to redeem them in-store, at selected retailers, by presenting the voucher on a smart phone or tablet. At the moment, you are able to use the vouchers in the following supermarkets:

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| • Morrisons | • Sainsbury's | • Waitrose |
| • Tesco | • Asda | • M&S |

Please contact the school office via winwick_primary@warrington.gov.uk if you will be unable to access your voucher by smartphone or tablet and we can arrange for alternative option for sending the voucher to you.

Vouchers can only be used to select the most appropriate food and drink for your child and when selecting products please make your choices based on what will be healthy and nutritious options. You can find more information about healthy and nutritious food at <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/eat-well/> if you need any ideas/advice.

Vouchers cannot be redeemed for any age-restricted items, such as alcohol, cigarettes or lottery tickets/scratch cards.

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Unfortunately, in-line with guidance, we are unable to provide these vouchers during the 'Easter holiday' period (weeks beginning 6th and 14th April 2020). The first vouchers will be sent by Tuesday of each week from the week beginning 20th April. As an alternative for over the Easter period, we are able to provide your child with a daily packed lunch that can be collected from school at 1.00pm each day. If you need us to arrange for a member of staff to deliver this to you, please contact the school office.

Packed lunches will consist of:

- Sandwich of child's choice (either cheese, tuna or meat – the meat option is either ham or turkey but we are unable to choose between so the choice would be 'meat')
- Piece of fruit
- Crisps/quavers/baked corn snack
- Biscuit or Soren or yoghurt or cheese biscuits
- Milk or Aqua juice

As our school kitchen is now closed, packed lunches are being provided by a kitchen from our local hub. This means that we have to place a daily order by no later than 9.15am each morning.

For the week's beginning 6th April (excluding Good Friday) and 14th April (excluding Easter Monday), if you would like us to order a daily packed lunch for your child, please email the school on winwick_primary@warrington.gov.uk by Friday 3rd April with the choice of filling your child would like and we will add them onto the daily order.

These packed lunches can be collected daily from the main entrance of the school. In-line with social distancing, there will be no immediate contact between members of staff and those collecting, as we will use the self-contained area in the entrance to do a handover with you. We would also advised hand washing/sanitising when you arrive home. If you require a packed lunch but are unable to collect, please contact the school office via the email above and we can arrange an alternative option so that your child is still able to receive their daily lunch.

If you do not wish for us to prepare a packed lunch for your child, please contact the main office via winwick_primary@warrington.gov.uk - thank you.

If your circumstances have changed, and you believe your child may now be entitled to free school meals, please contact the School Admissions Team on: email: schooladmissions@warrington.gov.uk telephone: 01925 446226. They will be able to support you with an assessment to see if your child would be eligible. If your child becomes eligible for free school meals, please inform the school office who will liaise with the School Admissions Team and then make provisions for your child.

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While not all children are entitled to free school meals, we are aware that with the current situation linked to Covid-19, some of our families may be struggling. Should you need it, a list of available foodbanks can be found on the www.warrington.gov.uk website or you can contact mylife@warrington.gov.uk.

As always, our thoughts and prayers are with you all during these difficult and challenging times. If you are unsure of where to go for help and support, please contact school at winwick_primary@warrington.gov.uk.

Warmest of wishes,

L. Duckett

Laura Duckett
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