



Winwick CE Primary School

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FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Dear Parent/Carer,

Under the latest Government guidance, we are able to offer our free school meal children a weekly £15.00 food voucher that can be used 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 for use for free school meal children. 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. If your child is currently eligible for Free School Meals, you will be receiving a separate letter giving you more information about this new system.

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 you have contacted the admissions team and 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.

FREE SCHOOL MEAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get).

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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
Deputy Headteacher

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