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Free School Meals - Supermarket Vouchers during school-shutdown

Dear Parent / Carer,

This message is to confirm the arrangements for the continued provision of supermarket vouchers to parents/carers whose child normally receives a Free School Meal as a result of being eligible for deprivation funding.

Please note, this does <u>not</u> relate to pupils in receipt of *universal* infant free school meals in years Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. The 'Free School Meal' entitlement referred to in this letter is associated with hardship and parents must apply to see if they are eligible. Further information relating to How to Apply for FSM is also available on our website;

https://www.seathorneprimaryacademy.org/page/?title=Free+School+Meals&pid=88

The supermarket voucher scheme will be run by school through an organisation called Edenred. If you would like to see some general information, you might wish to click here

https://www.edenred.co.uk/reward-recipients/Free-School-Meal-Vouchers/

The launch of this was to be April 20th, but has now been brought forward to April 6th. We are working very hard to get it up and running as soon as we can and vouchers arriving after April 6th will be backdated to that date.

You will receive an email or text message with an 'eCode' which will enable you to choose an eGift-card from the range of supermarkets below.

- · Morrisons
- · Tesco
- · Sainsbury's
- · Asda
- · Waitrose
- · M&S

Together with the eCode will be some instructions on how to generate your eGift-card. The voucher can then be presented on a smartphone or tablet at the supermarket checkout. Some vouchers can be used online. The vouchers will be subject to age restrictions, meaning they can only be used for food and not for alcohol, tobacco or fuel etc.

The vouchers will be worth £15 per child, per week. We aim to get them to you on a two week rolling basis.

If you have any further questions please contact the school via Xpressions or text me on 07887 291284 whilst we are closed.

Best wishes, Mrs Kris Radford (Principal)