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Dear Parents/Carers

The Department for Education have launched a national free school meal voucher programme for children eligible for free school meals. Eligible children will benefit from a national voucher scheme allowing them to continue to access meals whilst they stay at home during the school closure.

The current Manchester local free school meal voucher scheme will run until Friday 17th April, which includes the Easter break period. From Monday 20th April all Manchester schools will transfer to the national voucher scheme. These vouchers will be sent automatically each week via email directly to any parent/carer of eligible children.

The vouchers will be issued in the form of an eCode which will then need to be redeemed to use at the supermarket of your choice. A Frequently asked Questions document from the Department of Education can be found on the COVID-19 Update page of the school website which will answer any of the questions you may have about the scheme.

Please note the vouchers are only for children eligible for free school meals based on household income. Children who receive a free school meal through the universal free school meal scheme for children in Reception - Year 2 are not eligible for the vouchers.

If you are not eligible for free school meals but are experiencing hardship as a result of COVID-19 you may be able to receive support while facing financial crisis through Manchester City Council. The link below will provide you with further information of this:

https://secure.manchester.gov.uk/info/200008/benefits_and_support/6302/apply_for_a_cash_grant_if_you_are_in financial crisis

Yours sincerely

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