

Tuesday 15th December 2020

Dear Families,

RE: Christmas Holiday Free School Meal Vouchers

You'll no doubt be aware from reports in the media that the government have agreed to provide currently eligible families with Free School Meal vouchers over the Christmas holiday.

Tameside Council have just finalised their plans for the distribution of these vouchers with us.

The families of learners who are eligible for Free School Meals will receive a £40.00 voucher per eligible child to support with the cost of food over the two week holiday. A family with two eligible children will receive a voucher worth £80.00 etc.

In the summer, when the government was managing Free School Meal vouchers at a national level through EdenRed, families were given a choice of supermarket with whom they could redeem their vouchers. As the current scheme has been devolved to local authorities to manage, the school had to choose one supermarket for all the vouchers being distributed to families at Rayner Stephens. As a result of there being a Morrisons in both Hyde and Dukinfield, the school opted for Morrisons vouchers for our eligible families. Vouchers for other supermarkets are not available and will not be distributed to families.

I intend to issue vouchers to each eligible learner's Priority 1 contact email address tomorrow (Wednesday 16th December 2020). This is the email address where you usually receive school letters. If you feel this email address may be inaccurate or incorrect then please do contact school before Wednesday so we can update our records.

Instructions on how to redeem the voucher will be provided in the email sent to you with the voucher tomorrow.

Should you have any questions about any of the above, then please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Yours sincerely,

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