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EU Settlement Scheme

Dear Parent/Carer,

The EU Settlement Scheme has been set up to provide immigration status to those who need it as the UK leaves the EU. It is therefore important that everyone that needs to, applies before the deadline of **June 2021**.

The EU Settlement Scheme has been designed with European Economic Area (EEA) citizens and their representatives to be simple and straightforward. It will be looking for reasons to grant, not for reasons to refuse.

It is estimated that there are more than 3.5 million EU citizens living in the UK and the Government is committed to enabling them to live here. The UK's departure from the EU means that EEA citizens and their family members, will no longer be able to rely on the right of free movement and will need to obtain immigration status to demonstrate their right to remain in the UK. It means that they can continue to be eligible for:

- Public services, such as healthcare and schools;
- Public funds and pensions
- British citizenship, if they meet requirement and want to apply

The scheme opened on 30th March 2019 and applications must be made by **June 2021**. It is free to make applications to the scheme.

Full guidance is available at: <https://www.gov.uk/eusetledstatus>

On this website you will be able to:

- Check if you need to apply to the EU Settlement Scheme
- Find out what status you will get
- Check what you will need to apply
- Find out about the application process
- Find out what happens after you apply.

Please be aware that the deadline for applications is June 2021.

Yours sincerely

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