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School Uniform Scheme

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am witing to provide you with an overview of support for families with regards to school uniforms.

Family Support Vouchers

Stockport Council will be distributing Family Support Vouchers during week commencing 22 July to all pupils in receipt of means-tested FSM plus households with a dependent in receipt of Council Tax Support and/or Housing Benefit. These vouchers are worth £105 per child and will be sent to over 15,700 children. Please see the poster attached for more information about the Family Support Vouchers.

Pre-Loved School Uniform Scheme

The council is no longer providing school uniform grants to secondary school pupils. Instead, the council is is partnering with the Cherry Tree Project to set up a pre-loved school uniform offer. To help support the scheme, we are encouraging parents to help with donating pre-loved items – please visit the Stockport Council's dedicated page on school uniform support to find out where items can be donated to.

Merseyway School Uniform Pop-Up Shop

The pop-up shop is returning on 10 August and aims to provide families the opportunity to access low-cost, pre-loved, like-new Stockport school uniform items. Please see the poster attached to this letter to find out more about this initiative.

Again, to help ensure the success of this initiative, please donate any lost property school uniform. Any donations can be taken to Merseyway where a donation bin will be in place between 22 July and 5 August located outside Specsavers.

If you would like to know more about the local authority's anti-poverty initiatives and/or how to help, please visit: <u>https://www.stockport.gov.uk/topic/free-school-meals-and-clothing-grants</u>

Kind regards

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Family Support Vouchers

Help for families with school-age children

As part of Stockport Council's delivery of the UK Government Funded Household Support Fund, vouchers are being issued to families with school-age children who receive income-based free school meals, those in early years with equivalent eligibility, and those households in receipt of Local Council Tax Support and/or Housing Benefit paid by Stockport Council.

Eligible families are receiving a **Family Support Voucher worth** £105 per eligible child, which can be redeemed at a Post Office[®]. The voucher is to help with the cost of household energy and other household essentials.

Don't Miss Out!

Redeem your voucher at any Post Office® branch before it expires

Be sure to check for your voucher: Letter vouchers (if we don't have an email address) from **22 July 2024** Email vouchers from **29 July 2024**

More information about your voucher can be found online:

www.stockport.gov.uk/voucher

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The pop up shop is located at Merseyway Shopping Centre in the under cover mall next to Wa<u>terstones</u>

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