

Whitstable Junior School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

## Free School Meals

## Government voucher scheme for children staying at home

A national voucher scheme has been introduced by the Government that will allow children eligible for free school meals (FSM), to still access that provision while they stay at home.

Whilst we are closed, due to the coronavirus (COVID-19), every eligible child will be provided with a  $\pm 15$  weekly shopping voucher by their school to spend at supermarkets.

The vouchers can be spent at a range of shops, including Asda, M&S, Morrisons, Sainsbury's, Tesco and Waitrose.

We will email these vouchers to you or – for those without internet access – we have telephoned you and you will receive them as a gift card.

We will email or post every Friday, starting on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April until the situation regarding schools changes.

Attached to this email is a list of frequently asked questions. Please refer to this initially and then if you require any further advice please email <u>manager@whistable-junior.kent.sch.uk</u> or telephone the school office.

Kind regards,

Annie Knoupe Headteacher

