

3rd April 2020

Website: www.reachsouth.org

Dear Parent,

Free School Meal (FSM) Vouchers Update

Following our communication to you last week the government have now announced a national FSM voucher scheme. The vouchers will be issued via a company called Edenred. Vouchers will be issued weekly during term-time at a value of £15 per child per week, with your first vouchers being available from the week commencing 13th April 2020.

Packed lunches will continue to be available over the Easter holidays.

The vouchers can be used to purchase food at six major supermarkets; Asda, M&S, Morrison's, Sainsbury, Tesco and Waitrose.

Each week you will receive an email with an eCode. You will be prompted to select the supermarket(s) of your choice. Your eCode will then be converted into an eGift card which can be spent in store on food or groceries.

Further information can be found by following the below link:

https://www.edenred.co.uk/Documents/DfE/DfE_FreeSchoolMeals_ParentCarerFAQs.pdf

Please note that you will need to be able to access an email address to receive the voucher and either a smartphone or a printer in order to be able to present the voucher for payment in store. Therefore, please advise us as soon as possible if you are concerned about how you will access the vouchers and we will work with you to provide an alternative arrangement.

Children of Covid-19 key workers and vulnerable children that are attending school after 13th April 2020 and are eligible for FSM will receive a voucher and will be requested to bring in a packed lunch.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact the school office on the main school phone number.

Yours sincerely,

Head Teacher