

Covid-19 - National Free School Meal (FSM) Voucher Scheme - do we have your email address?

As you may have seen in the media the government have now rolled out the national free school meal voucher scheme which will now be used to issue weekly vouchers (excluding school holidays) to families eligible for FSM.

We will start to access the scheme from Monday 20th April, following the Easter Break. You will receive an email with an e-Code and instructions on how to download a voucher for your chosen supermarket.

The vouchers will equate to £15- per eligible child per week and we hope to process the first ones on or before Monday 20th and Monday 27th April and on a weekly basis thereafter until your child returns to school.

In order to make sure you can access your voucher please make sure we have the correct and latest email address, if you are unsure please email:

info@hackwood.theharmonytrust.org

Giving the name of your child and your preferred email address and we can then make sure that you receive the activation email for your vouchers.

The government have decided that there is no requirement to continue to provide Universal Infant Free School Meals to pupils in Reception, Year 1, or Year 2 who are unable to attend school.

Only children in those year groups who are eligible for benefits-related free school meals will be supported.

Please note there have been reports of families, not ours, receiving scam emails and text messages from fraudsters asking for banking details in order to provide access to FSM vouchers, we will never ask for your bank details in order to supply the vouchers if you receive such requests please delete them as they will be fraudulent.