

Friday 20 March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

Provision of food during the school closure period

During the period of school closure, we will seek to provide a meal each day for all students who are entitled to Free School Meals. If your child is not entitled to Free School Meals, **we will not be able to provide food**, so your child **must bring a packed lunch** if attending school (because you are a critical worker or because they require support in school).

As you may have heard, the government is seeking to introduce a national vouchers scheme to support lower income families as soon as they can.

If your child/children normally receive/s Free School Meals and is attending school each day, they will receive their meal in school. If your child/children normally receives Free School Meals and is **not** attending school each day, you have the opportunity to contact the school each day by 9.30a.m to inform them that you would like a lunch provided. You should make contact by calling 01509 212621. The food will be able to pick up from the school reception by 12p.m.

If you child is not currently entitled to Free School Meals but you think that they should be, please consider whether you meet any of the criteria below:

- Income support
- Income-based jobseeker's allowance
- Income-related employment and support allowance
- National asylum seeker support
- Child tax credit (provided you're not also entitled to working tax credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- The guaranteed element of state pension credit
- Working tax credit run-on - paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for working tax credit.
- Universal credit with annual net earned income of less than £7,400

Should any of these criteria apply, please contact the school and/or visit <https://www.leicester.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/grants-and-allowances/free-school-meals/> if you live in the City, or <https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/education-and-children/social-care-and-supporting-families/free-school-meals> if you live in the County.

If you have any questions about this, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

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Take care, and God bless you and your families.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "N. Lockyer." The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent initial "N" and a trailing flourish.

Neil Lockyer
Chief Executive Officer