



MALCOLM SARGENT PRIMARY SCHOOL

Love To Learn

7 April 2020

Dear Parents

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

We are continuing to provide free school meals for eligible children right across the Easter holidays, including both bank holidays. If you are eligible for free school meals, you should continue to collect a daily packed lunch from the kitchen between 11am and 12 noon for the remainder of this week.

From Monday 13 April 2020, we will be replacing the daily packed lunch with a weekly hamper of food. This will be available every Monday morning from the kitchen between 11am and 12 noon and will comprise items such as:

- Bread
- Dried pasta
- Tinned fruit
- Baked beans
- Pasta sauce
- Orange juice

There will be one hamper per eligible child available.

Please come to the school kitchen door on Monday each week and the kitchen staff will be happy to load the items into the boot of your car for you. If you arrive on foot, please bring carrier bags into which the food can be packed for you.

If you are not sure whether you are eligible for Free School Meals, you can apply online via Lincolnshire County Council at:

<https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-pupil-support/apply-free-school-meals>

You may be eligible if you are a recipient of benefits, such as:

- Universal Credit - your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of state Pension Credit

- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

If your child/children are eligible for Free School Meals, the school will also be awarded an additional sum of money from the Government called the Pupil Premium Grant. The school uses this grant in order to help children who require further support with their learning, progress and emotional wellbeing in a range of different ways. More information regarding the spend of this year's grant is available on the school's website.

If you have any questions regarding Free School Meals, please email the enquiries email address with FREE SCHOOL MEALS in the title and we will do our best to help you.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Tina Cox
Vice Principal