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Dear Parents and Carers,

**Free School Meals Update**

I am writing to you today with an update on how we will arrange free school meals going forward during the current lockdown.

As an Oasis academy, and like all schools, we are committed to providing nutritious food to our students. As you are aware last week, in line with DfE guidance, we had been working with our catering partners to provide food parcels to those pupils who are eligible for Free School Meal (FSM).

You will have seen significant media coverage recently around school meals. The Government have now reopened a national voucher scheme like the one which opened in April 2020.

Oasis Community Learning has made the decision to switch to this national voucher scheme from Monday 18<sup>th</sup> January.

**How will I get my voucher?**

If your son or daughter qualifies for FSM, you will now receive a supermarket voucher to the value of £15 per week per student. They will no longer receive a food parcel.

If you have more than one child attending Oasis Academy Mayfield we will combine these vouchers into one, which you will be sent under one of your students' names.

This will be emailed out in exactly the same format as your previous food vouchers, please look out for an email from Edenred sent to the email address you have registered with the Academy.

If you have any concerns around your son or daughter's FSM voucher, please contact us at [info@oasismayfield.org](mailto:info@oasismayfield.org)

**My son or daughter is currently eligible to attend school**

If your son or daughter is currently attending school (as one of their parents is a critical worker, or your child is determined as 'vulnerable'), our kitchens remain open to provide a hot, nutritious meal.

Oasis Community Learning has made clear that if your child qualifies for FSM and is attending school, they will receive both a voucher and a meal at school.

Thank you for your support. As ever, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Academy.

Yours sincerely,

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