

Halsnead Primary School

Headteacher: Miss H. Taylor

Pennywood Drive t: 0151 477 8130
Whiston f: 0151 477 8131
Knowsley e: halsnead@knowsley.gov.uk
L35 3TX w: www.halsnead.co.uk



Strive to Achieve

Tuesday, 5th May 2020

Good afternoon Parents and Carers,

RE: Free School Meal Vouchers

Since 27th March, Knowsley Council have funded supermarket vouchers for:

1. Children entitled to a means tested free school meal
2. Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 (who are all eligible for the Universal Infant Free School Meal)

However, the government have made it clear that they will only support those children in receipt of a benefits-related free school meal. **This means that there will be no further funding for pupils who would normally receive a non-benefits related Infant Free School Meal.**

The next round of vouchers will therefore be allocated for the period between 11th May and 22nd May for children from Reception to Year 6 who fall into **category 1 above**.

You can claim Free School Meals if you receive one of the following benefits:

- **Income Support**
- **Income Based Jobseekers Allowance**
- **Income-Related Employment Support Allowance**
- **Child Tax Credit and income of less than £16,190 (but not if you are in work and receiving Working Tax Credit)**
- **The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit**
- **Support under part VI of the Immigration & Asylum Act 1999**
- **Universal Credit, provided they have an annual net earned income not exceeding £7,400 (£616.67 per month)**

If your circumstances have changed and you are now eligible for free school meals, please complete the form on the school website, sign it and take it in with proof to a One Stop Shop or post the form to: Knowsley MBC, Benefits Section, Municipal Buildings, Archway Road, Huyton L36 9YU.

If you are still eligible for a voucher and would like to change your supermarket preference, **please inform school before 10am tomorrow morning**. I am also pleased to inform you that you can now choose Aldi as a supermarket preference for your next order. Preferences cannot be changed once the vouchers have been allocated.

Please contact school if you have any further questions or concerns.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H Taylor', is written over a horizontal line.

Miss H Taylor
Headteacher