



25 January 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to inform you of the changes to free school meal (FSM) provision from Monday 25<sup>th</sup> January.

### **Free School Meals in December and the Start of January**

Hazel Wood High School provided the parents/carers of those pupils who are eligible for FSM in December with a voucher from Wonde. When school returned in January we allocated those parents/carers of pupils who were learning from home or attending school on a part time basis with a voucher through Wonde to cover up until Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> January. Those pupils who were due to attend school full time continued to receive a free school meal within school and did not receive vouchers for this period.

### **Free School Meals from Monday 25th January**

From Monday 25<sup>th</sup> January the vouchers are being allocated through a national scheme called Edenred. You may have already received your voucher from Edenred and this will cover the period from Monday 25<sup>th</sup> January through to Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February.

The school has issued the parents/carers of **all** pupils who are eligible for FSM with vouchers through Edenred. This reduces any complications should a pupil need to work from home or self isolate. This means that **all** pupils will either need to bring a packed lunch to school, or alternatively buy a meal from the school canteen should they attend school. This includes those pupils who are eligible for free school meals as a voucher has been provided to the family.

### **What this means for your child if they attend school during Lockdown 3**

Should you wish your child to purchase a lunch in school they can continue to do so. The cost is £2.40 per meal and this will include a hot meal option daily. There will be daily checks with students who attend school and Pastoral Year Leaders will contact home should your child not have lunch with them/the funds to buy lunch as you will be asked to bring this for your child/ren.

### **Further information, help and updates**

We realise that there is a lot of information being shared and we are updating a page on our website with further information to frequently asked questions and uploading helpful guides. Please regularly check this page to keep up to date with recent changes and communications from school. The page is called Covid 19 Communications and Learning Resources, and can be located under Parents & Carers.

Yours sincerely,

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