



18th October, 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope that you are all keeping safe and well in these challenging times.

As you are aware, schools are now approaching the half term holidays. We wanted to let you know the support available to families over this period who would be entitled to Free School Meals. Please have a look at the [food and recipes](#) section on the Healthy Sandwell website for tips and ideas on children's lunches, shopping, cooking and reducing food waste.

Sandwell Council has made arrangements for you to receive food vouchers via a partnership with Wonde.com via text message. However, **vouchers will be sent to you as previously arranged with the academy.**

For Secondary school pupils the vouchers will have a value of **£15 per child.**

You will receive your voucher on Wednesday 20th October, 2021.

Further updates around support concerning food can be found via both via Sandwell Council, the school websites and social media. During the Easter holiday period, should you require emergency assistance from Sandwell Council our emergency number is 0121 569 2266 and our website is https://www.sandwell.gov.uk/info/200354/coronavirus_advice

If you are finding hard to make ends meet free and confidential advice around benefits or budgeting is available. The council's welfare rights team can advise you and your family. Contact: welfarerights_team@sandwell.gov.uk 0121 569 3158

If you need advice around employment and training support the council's advisers will be able to help. Contact: enquiries_recruitment@sandwell.gov.uk
Further information and advice is also available on the [Resilient Residents](#), [Route 2 Wellbeing](#) and [Healthy Sandwell](#) websites.

Yours faithfully

Leigh Moore
Principal