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Dear parent/carer,

RE: Food Vouchers to cover the October Holiday 2022

We want to ensure that those eligible for free school meals on the grounds of low income receive a food voucher to cover the October School Holiday at a rate of £15 per eligible child.

The most effective way of ensuring vulnerable families receive the vouchers that can be used in the Oldham supermarket of their choice is via a third-party online hub – known as WONDE.

WONDE is a data integration company already used by many schools in Oldham who offer a free school meal voucher system. This voucher system has a live link to your school's data therefore automatically recognises the students who are eligible for Free School Meals. The system should be quick and easy to use and produces the vouchers that can be used in most Oldham supermarkets.

If your child is entitled to income based free school meals, please look out for an email and/or text confirming that your voucher has been issued. **If you think your child is entitled for free school meals and have not yet applied, you can do this via the school website or Oldham Council Website. This need to be done before the 18th October. The school have a restricted window to order vouchers, after this date they cannot be issued.**

For more information go to: <https://help.evouchers.com/hc/en-gb> This includes a step by step guide of how to access the vouchers (once your school has issued them to you).

If you have any questions, please contact the school in the first instance.

For any families that are really struggling for food and provisions over the school holiday, please visit the Oldham Council website www.oldham.gov.uk/wecanhelp which lists financial support and benefits that are available for residents.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. H. Atkinson-Smith

Headteacher

