

Dear Parents/Carers

Replacement Free School Meal Scheme

Please only use this link as it will take you to where you need to apply for the Free School Meal payments.

https://secure.manchester.gov.uk/info/500361/coronavirus/7938/coronavirus_-_benefits_and_money/4

Ensure that you read the eligibility on the webpage before applying.

Coronavirus - Benefits and money

Help with food costs while schools are closed

Last updated 12.03pm, Wednesday 25 March

We want to ensure that all our children and young people have access to a lunchtime meal.

We have the following arrangements in place to support families during this period:

- [Free school meal pupils](#)
- Hardship support to families

Please read this information carefully before making application

Eligibility

- Children must be born between 01/09/2014 and 31/08/04 to be eligible.
- Preschool and early years children are not eligible

Free school meal pupils - School age children who would normally receive a free school meal from the school

This is based on household income or due to being an asylum seeker.

Only if you are eligible; click on the link (Council's Welfare Provision Scheme)

income please make a claim for support.

We cannot make a payment if your school has alternative arrangements in place.

The contribution towards a lunchtime meal is £2.00 per day (£10 per week) for each school child or young person in the household.

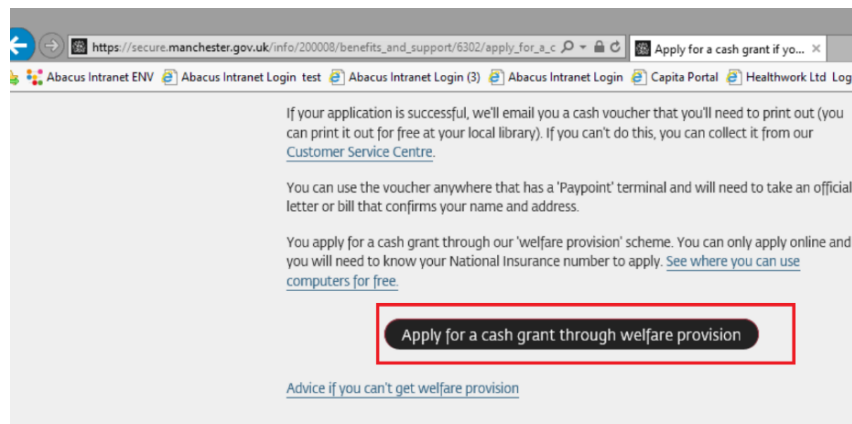
We will be able to pay this money within a few days by the following methods

- A bank transfer into a nominated bank account
- A secure text message that can be used to access cash from a range of Paypoint outlets in the city
- A voucher that can be printed and can then be exchanged for cash from a range of Paypoint outlets in the city.

Parent's can make an application please submit a request via the [Council's Welfare Provision Scheme](#).

The DfE have confirmed that schools will be reimbursed for the cost of provision of FSM prior to

Scroll to the bottom of the page and click on Apply for a Cash Grant.



Hope the above helps and thank you for your patience in this matter.

Regards