

During the period that schools are closed due to COVID-19, those children who were receiving free school meals will be registered through the Government National School voucher scheme. These families will receive an online e-voucher of £15 per child per week. However, some schools may choose to print out the voucher with an allocated supermarket and send to your home.

For the families to receive this voucher they must provide an up to date email address to their child's school so they can register them on the Government website.

Once registered by their school, the family will receive an email which will contain a 16 digit reference number which they will use to login to the link in an email that will include the login instructions.

The website may advise you that you are in a queue and may take up to an hour for you to be able to complete. Once the family logs in with the 16 digit reference number they will be asked to choose a supermarket from the list provided and then an e-voucher will be created. The family will take the e-voucher on their phone and scan this as payment for the food shop.

We have been informed that Aldi has now been added to the list of supermarkets.

If you are not receiving free school meals for your child and you are eligible you can apply on the link provided or if you require support you can contact the International New Arrival Team to apply for you.

<https://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/schools/free-school-meals.aspx>